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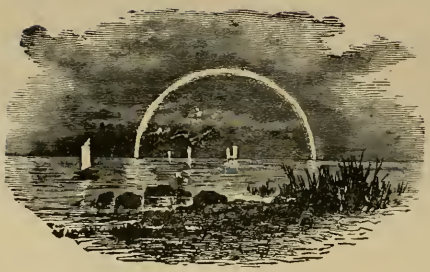

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PREFACE.

THE greatest of English historians, MACAULAY, and one of the most brilliant writers of the present century, has said: "The history of a country is best told in a record of the lives of its people." In conformity with this idea the PORTRAIT AND MEMORIAL RECORD of this county has been prepared. Instead of going to musty records, and taking therefrom dry statistical matter that can be appreciated by but few, our corps of writers have gone to the people, the men and women who have, by their enterprise and industry, brought the county to rank second to none among those comprising this great and noble State, and from their lips have the story of their life struggles. No more interesting or instructive matter could be presented to an intelligent public. In this volume will be found a record of many whose lives are worthy the imitation of coming generations. It tells how some, commencing life in poverty, by industry and economy have accumulated wealth. It tells how others, with limited advantages for securing an education, have become learned men and women, with an influence extending throughout the length and breadth of the land. It tells of men who have risen from the lower walks of life to eminence as statesmen, and whose names have become famous. It tells of those in every walk in life who have striven to succeed, and records how that success has usually crowned their efforts. It tells also of many, very many, who, not seeking the applause of the world, have pursued "the even tenor of their way," content to have it said of them as Christ said of the woman performing a deed of mercy—"they have done what they could." It tells how that many in the pride and strength of young manhood left the plow and the anvil, the lawyer's office and the counting-room, left every trade and profession, and at their country's call went forth valiantly "to do or die," and how through their efforts the Union was restored and peace once more reigned in the land. In the life of every man and of every woman is a lesson that should not be lost upon those who follow after.

Coming generations will appreciate this volume and preserve it as a sacred treasure, from the fact that it contains so much that would never find its way into public records, and which would otherwise be inaccessible. Great care has been taken in the compilation of the work and every opportunity possible given to those represented to insure correctness in what has been written, and the publishers flatter themselves that they give to their readers a work with few errors of consequence. In addition to the biographical sketches, portraits of a number of representative citizens are given.

The faces of some, and biographical sketches of many, will be missed in this volume. For this the publishers are not to blame. Not having a proper conception of the work, some refused to give the information necessary to compile a sketch, while others were indifferent. Occasionally some member of the family would oppose the enterprise, and on account of such opposition the support of the interested one would be withheld. In a few instances men could never be found, though repeated calls were made at their residence or place of business.

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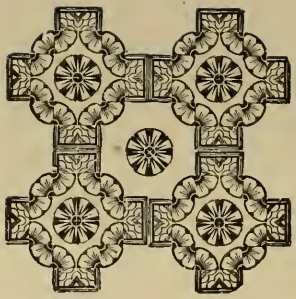

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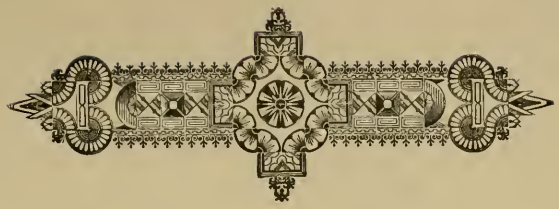

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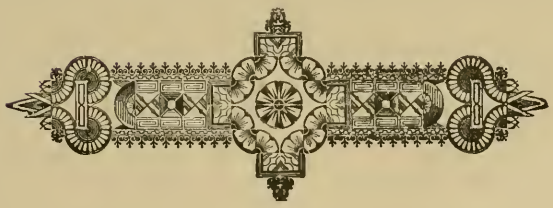
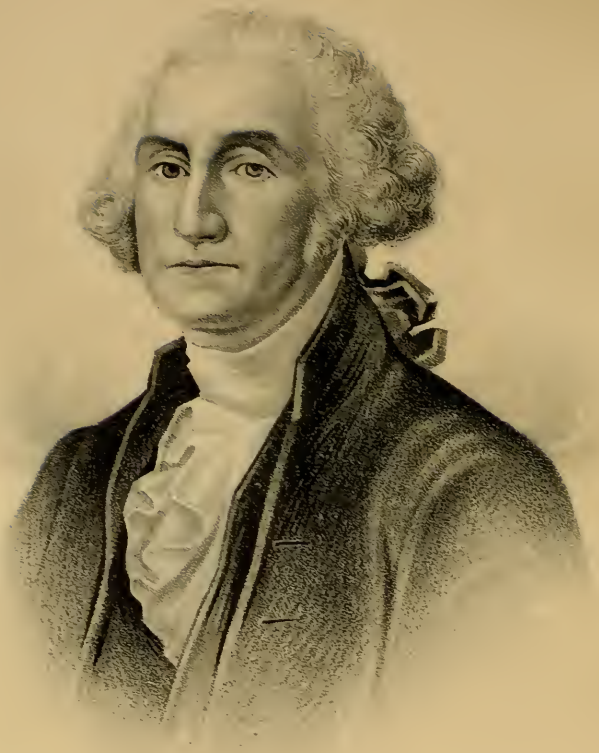




G. Washington

GEORGE WASHINGTON.

THE Father of our Country was born in Westmoreland County, Va., February 22, 1732. His parents were Augustine and Mary (Ball) Washington. The family to which he belonged has not been satisfactorily traced in England. His great-grandfather, John Washington, emigrated to Virginia about 1657, and became a prosperous planter. He had two sons, Lawrence and John. The former married Mildred Warner, and had three children, John, Augustine and Mildred. Augustine, the father of George, first married Jane Butler, who bore him four children, two of whom, Lawrence and Augustine, reached maturity. Of six children by his second marriage, George was the eldest, the others being Betty, Samuel, John Augustine, Charles and Mildred.

Augustine Washington, the father of George, died in 1743, leaving a large landed property. To his eldest son, Lawrence, he bequeathed an estate on the Potomac, afterwards known as Mt. Vernon, and to George he left the parental residence. George received only such education as the neighborhood schools afforded, save for a short time after he left school, when he received private instruction in mathematics. His spelling was rather defective. Remarkable stories are told of his great physical strength and development at an early age. He was an acknowledged leader among his companions, and was early noted for that nobleness of character, fairness and veracity which characterized his whole life.

When George was fourteen years old he had a desire to go to sea, and a midshipman's warrant was secured for him, but through the opposition of his mother the idea was abandoned. Two years later he was appointed surveyor to the immense estate of Lord Fairfax. In this business he spent three years in a rough frontier life, gaining experience which afterwards proved very essential to him. In 1751, though only nineteen years of age, he was appointed Adjutant, with the rank of Major, in the Virginia militia, then being trained for active service against the French and Indians. Soon after this he sailed to the West Indies with his brother Lawrence, who went there to restore his health. They soon returned, and in the summer of 1752 Lawrence died, leaving a large fortune to an infant daughter, who did not long survive him. On her demise the estate of Mt. Vernon was given to George.

Upon the arrival of Robert Dinwiddie as Lieutenant-Governor of Virginia, in 1752, the militia was reorganized, and the province divided into four military districts, of which the northern was assigned to Washington as Adjutant-General. Shortly after this a very perilous mission, which others had refused, was assigned him and accepted. This was to proceed to the French post near Lake Erie, in northwestern Pennsylvania. The distance to be traversed was about six hundred miles. Winter was at hand, and the journey was to be made without military escort, through a territory occupied by Indians. The trip was a perilous one, and several times he nearly lost his life, but he returned in safety and furnished a full and useful report of his expedition. A regiment of three hundred men was raised in Virginia and put in command of Col. Joshua Fry, and Maj. Washington was commissioned Lieutenant-Colonel. Active war was then begun against the French and Indians, in which Washington took

a most important part. In the memorable event of July 9, 1755, known as "Braddock's defeat," Washington was almost the only officer of distinction who escaped from the calamities of the day with life and honor.

Having been for five years in the military service, and having vainly sought promotion in the royal army, he took advantage of the fall of Ft. Duquesne and the expulsion of the French from the valley of the Ohio to resign his commission. Soon after he entered the Legislature, where, although not a leader, he took an active and important part. January 17, 1759, he married Mrs. Martha (Dandridge) Custis, the wealthy widow of John Parke Custis.

When the British Parliament had closed the port of Boston, the cry went up throughout the provinces, "The cause of Boston is the cause of us all!" It was then, at the suggestion of Virginia, that a congress of all the colonies was called to meet at Philadelphia September 5, 1774, to secure their common liberties, peaceably if possible. To this congress Col. Washington was sent as a delegate. On May 10, 1775, the congress re-assembled, when the hostile intentions of England were plainly apparent. The battles of Concord and Lexington had been fought, and among the first acts of this congress was the election of a commander-in-chief of the Colonial forces. This high and responsible office was conferred upon Washington, who was still a member of the congress. He accepted it on June 19, but upon the express condition that he receive no salary. He would keep an exact account of expenses, and expect congress to pay them and nothing more. It is not the object of this sketch to trace the military acts of Washington, to whom the fortunes and liberties of the people of this country were so long confided. The war was conducted by him under every possible disadvantage; and while his forces often met with reverses, yet he overcame every obstacle, and after seven years of heroic devotion and matchless skill he gained liberty for the greatest nation of earth. On December 23, 1783, Washington, in a parting address of surpassing beauty, resigned his commission as Commander-in-Chief of the army to the Continental Congress sitting at Annapolis. He retired immediately to Mt. Vernon and resumed his occupation as a farmer and planter, shunning all connection with public life.

In February, 1789, Washington was unanimously elected President, and at the expiration of his first term he was unanimously re-elected. At the end of this term many were anxious that he be re-elected, but he absolutely refused a third nomination. On March 4, 1797, at the expiration of his second term as President, he returned to his home, hoping to pass there his few remaining years free from the annoyances of public life. Later in the year, however, his repose seemed likely to be interrupted by war with France. At the prospect of such a war he was again urged to take command of the army, but he chose his subordinate officers and left them the charge of matters in the field, which he superintended from his home. In accepting the command, he made the reservation that he was not to be in the field until it was necessary. In the midst of these preparations his life was suddenly cut off. December 12 he took a severe cold from a ride in the rain, which, settling in his throat, produced inflammation, and terminated fatally on the night of the 14th. On the 18th his body was borne with military honors to its final resting-place, and interred in the family vault at Mt. Vernon.

Of the character of Washington it is impossible to speak but in terms of the highest respect and admiration. The more we see of the operations of our government, and the more deeply we feel the difficulty of uniting all opinions in a common interest, the more highly we must estimate the force of his talent and character, which have been able to challenge the reverence of all parties, and principles, and nations, and to win a fame as extended as the limits of the globe, and which we cannot but believe will be as lasting as the existence of man.

In person, Washington was unusually tall, erect and well proportioned, and his muscular strength was great. His features were of a beausiful symmetry. He commanded respect without any appearance of haughtiness, and was ever serious without being dull.

John Adams

JOHN ADAMS.

JOHN ADAMS, the second President and the first Vice-President of the United States, was born in Braintree (now Quincy) Mass., and about ten miles from Boston, October 19, 1735. His great-grandfather, Henry Adams, emigrated from England about 1640, with a family of eight sons, and settled at Braintree. The parents of John were John and Susannah (Boylston) Adams. His father, who was a farmer of limited means, also engaged in the business of shoemaking. He gave his eldest son, John, a classical education at Harvard College. John graduated in 1755, and at once took charge of the school at Worcester, Mass. This he found but a "school of affliction," from which he endeavored to gain relief by devoting himself, in addition, to the study of law. For this purpose he placed himself under the tuition of the only lawyer in the town. He had thought seriously of the clerical profession, but seems to have been turned from this by what he termed "the frightful engines of ecclesiastical councils, of diabolical malice, and Calvinistic good nature," of the operations of which he had been a witness in his native town. He was well fitted for the legal profession, possessing a clear, sonorous voice, being ready and fluent of speech, and having quick perceptive powers. He gradually gained a practice, and in 1764 married Abigail Smith, a daughter of a minister, and a lady of superior intelligence. Shortly after his marriage, in 1765, the attempt at parliamentary taxation turned him from law to politics. He took initial steps toward holding a town meeting, and the resolutions he offered on the subject became very popular throughout the province, and were adopted word for word by over forty different towns. He moved to Boston in 1768, and became one of the most courageous and prominent advocates of the popular cause, and was chosen a member of the General Court (the Legislature) in 1770.

Mr. Adams was chosen one of the first delegates from Massachusetts to the first Continental Congress, which met in 1774. Here he distinguished himself by his capacity for business and for debate, and advocated the movement for independence against the majority of the members. In May, 1776, he moved and carried a resolution in Congress that the Colonies should assume the duties of self-government. He was a prominent member of the committee of five appointed June 11 to prepare a declaration of independence. This article was drawn by Jefferson, but on Adams devolved the task of battling it through Congress in a three-days debate.

On the day after the Declaration of Independence was passed, while his soul was yet warm with the glow of excited feeling, he wrote a letter to his wife, which, as we read it now, seems to have been dictated by the spirit of prophecy. "Yesterday," he says, "the greatest question was decided that ever was debated in America; and greater, perhaps, never was or will be decided among men. A resolution was passed without one dissenting colony, 'that these United States are, and of right ought to be, free and independent states.' The day is passed. The Fourth of July, 1776, will be a memorable epoch in the history of America. I am apt to believe it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance by solemn acts of devotion to Almighty God. It ought to be solemnized with pomp, shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires and illuminations from one end of the continent to the other, from this time forward forever. You will think me transported with enthusiasm, but I am not. I am well aware of the toil and blood and treasure that it will cost to maintain this declaration and support and defend these States; yet, through all the gloom, I can see the rays of light and glory. I can see that the end is worth more than all the means, and that posterity will triumph,

although you and I may rue, which I hope we shall not."

In November, 1777, Mr. Adams was appointed a delegate to France, and to co-operate with Benjamin Franklin and Arthur Lee, who were then in Paris, in the endeavor to obtain assistance in arms and money from the French government. This was a severe trial to his patriotism, as it separated him from his home, compelled him to cross the ocean in winter, and exposed him to great peril of capture by the British cruisers, who were seeking him. He left France June 17, 1779. In September of the same year he was again chosen to go to Paris, and there hold himself in readiness to negotiate a treaty of peace and of commerce with Great Britain, as soon as the British cabinet might be found willing to listen to such proposals. He sailed for France in November, and from there he went to Holland, where he negotiated important loans and formed important commercial treaties.

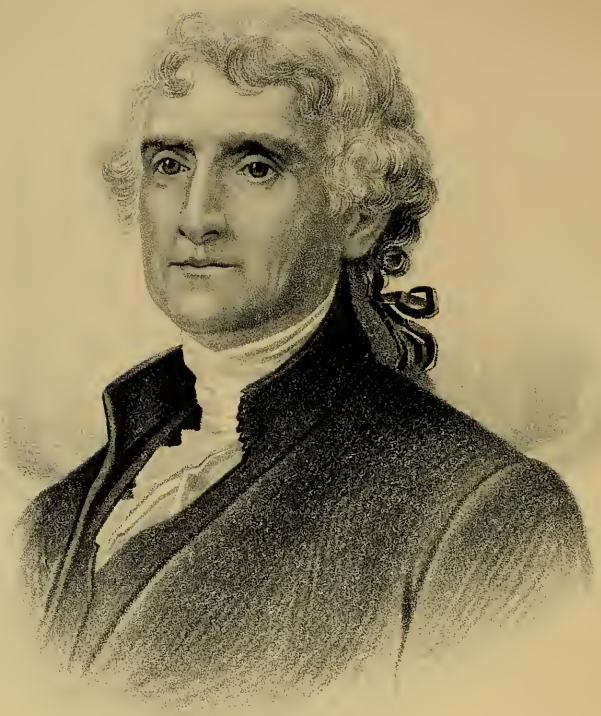
Finally, a treaty of peace with England was signed, January 21, 1783. The re-action from the excitement, toil and anxiety through which Mr. Adams had passed threw him into a fever. After suffering from a continued fever and becoming feeble and emaciated, he was advised to go to England to drink the waters of Bath. While in England, still drooping and desponding, he received dispatches from his own government urging the necessity of his going to Amsterdam to negotiate another loan. It was winter, his health was delicate, yet he immediately set out, and through storm, on sea, on horseback and foot, he made the trip.

February 24, 1785, Congress appointed Mr. Adams envoy to the Court of St. James. Here he met face to face the King of England, who had so long regarded him as a traitor. As England did not condescend to appoint a minister to the United States, and as Mr. Adams felt that he was accomplishing but little, he sought permission to return to his own country, where he arrived in June, 1788.

When Washington was first chosen President, John Adams, rendered illustrious by his signal services at home and abroad, was chosen Vice-President. Again, at the second election of Washington as President, Adams was chosen Vice-President. In 1796, Washington retired from public life, and Mr. Adams was elected President, though not without much opposition. Serving in this office four years, he was succeeded by Mr. Jefferson, his opponent in politics.

While Mr. Adams was Vice-President the great French Revolution shook the continent of Europe, and it was upon this point that he was at issue with the majority of his countrymen, led by Mr. Jefferson. Mr. Adams felt no sympathy with the French people in their struggle, for he had no confidence in their power of self-government, and he utterly abhorred the class of atheist philosophers who, he claimed, caused it. On the other hand, Jefferson's sympathies were strongly enlisted in behalf of the French people. Hence originated the alienation between these distintinguished men, and the two powerful parties were thus soon organized, with Adams at the head of the one whose sympathies were with England, and Jefferson leading the other in sympathy with France.

The Fourth of July, 1826, which completed the half-century since the signing of the Declaration of Independence, arrived, and there were but three of the signers of that immortal instrument left upon the earth to hail its morning light. And, as it is well known, on that day two of these finished their earthly pilgrimage, a coincidence so remarkable as to seem miraculous. For a few days before Mr. Adams had been rapidly failing, and on the morning of the Fourth he found himself too weak to rise from his bed. On being requested to name a toast for the customary celebration of the day, he exclaimed "Independence forever!" When the day was ushered in by the ringing of bells and the firing of cannons, he was asked by one of his attendants if he knew what day it was? He replied, "O yes, it is the glorious Fourth of July—God bless it—God bless you all!" In the course of the day he said, "It is a great and glorious day." The last words he uttered were, "Jefferson survives." But he had, at one o'clock, resigned his spirit into the hands of his God.



Th. Jefferson

THOMAS JEFFERSON.

THOMAS JEFFERSON was born April 2, 1743, at Shadwell, Albemarle County, Va. His parents were Peter and Jane (Randolph) Jefferson, the former a native of Wales, and the latter born in London. To them were born six daughters and two sons, of whom Thomas was the elder. When fourteen years of age his father died. He received a most liberal education, having been kept diligently at school from the time he was five years of age. In 1760 he entered William and Mary College. Williamsburg was then the seat of the Colonial court, and it was the abode of fashion and splendor. Young Jefferson, who was then seventeen years old, lived somewhat expensively, keeping fine horses, and going much into gay society; yet he was earnestly devoted to his studies, and irreproachable in his morals. In the second year of his college course, moved by some unexplained impulse, he discarded his old companions and pursuits, and often devoted fifteen hours a day to hard study. He thus attained very high intellectual culture, and a like excellence in philosophy and the languages.

Immediately upon leaving college he began the study of law. For the short time he continued in the practice of his profession he rose rapidly, and distinguished himself by his energy and acuteness as a lawyer. But the times called for greater action. The policy of England had awakened the spirit of resistance in the American Colonies, and the enlarged views which Jefferson had ever entertained soon led him into active political life. In 1769 he was chosen a member of the Virginia House of Burgesses. In 1772 he married Mrs. Martha Skelton, a very beautiful, wealthy, and highly accomplished young widow.

In 1775 he was sent to the Colonial Congress, where, though a silent member, his abilities as a writer and a reasoner soon become known, and he was placed upon a number of important committees, and was chairman of the one appointed for the drawing up of a declaration of independence. This committee consisted of Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Roger Sherman and Robert R. Livingston. Jefferson, as chairman, was appointed to draw up the paper. Franklin and Adams suggested a few verbal changes before it was submitted to Congress. On June 28, a few slight changes were made in it by Congress, and it was passed and signed July 4, 1776.

In 1779 Mr. Jefferson was elected successor to Patrick Henry as Governor of Virginia. At one time the British officer Tarleton sent a secret expedition to Monticello to capture the Governor. Scarcely five minutes elapsed after the hurried escape of Mr. Jefferson and his family ere his mansion was in possession of the British troops. His wife's health, never very good, was much injured by this excitement, and in the summer of 1782 she died.

Mr. Jefferson was elected to Congress in 1783. Two years later he was appointed Minister Plenipotentiary to France. Returning to the United States in September, 1789, he became Secretary of State in Washington's cabinet. This position he resigned January 1, 1794. In 1797, he was chosen Vice-President, and four years later was elected President over Mr. Adams, with Aaron

Burr as Vice-President. In 1804 he was re-elected with wonderful unanimity, George Clinton being elected Vice-President.

The early part of Mr. Jefferson's second administration was disturbed by an event which threatened the tranquillity and peace of the Union; this was the conspiracy of Aaron Burr. Defeated in the late election to the Vice-Presidency, and led on by an unprincipled ambition, this extraordinary man formed the plan of a military expedition into the Spanish territories on our south-western frontier, for the purpose of forming there a new republic. This was generally supposed to have been a mere pretext; and although it has not been generally known what his real plans were, there is no doubt that they were of a far more dangerous character.

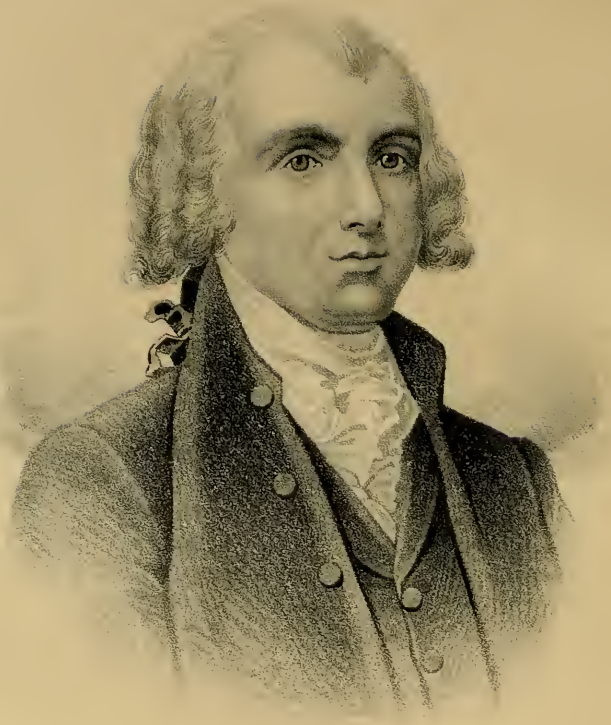
In 1809, at the expiration of the second term for which Mr. Jefferson had been elected, he determined to retire from political life. For a period of nearly forty years he had been continually before the public, and all that time had been employed in offices of the greatest trust and responsibility. Having thus devoted the best part of his life to the service of his country, he now felt desirous of that rest which his declining years required, and upon the organization of the new administration, in March, 1809, he bade farewell forever to public life and retired to Monticello, his famous country home, which, next to Mt. Vernon, was the most distinguished residence in the land.

The Fourth of July, 1826, being the fiftieth anniversary of the Declaration of American Independence, great preparations were made in every part of the Union for its celebration as the nation's jubilee, and the citizens of Washington, to add to the solemnity of the occasion, invited Mr. Jefferson, as the framer and one of the few surviving signers of the Declaration, to participate in their festivities. But an illness, which had been of several weeks' duration and had been continually increasing, compelled him to decline the invitation.

On the 2d of July the disease under which he was laboring left him, but in such a reduced state that his medical attendants entertained no hope of his recovery. From this time he was perfectly sensible that his last hour was at hand. On the next day, which was Monday, he asked of those around him the day of the month, and on being told it was the 3d of July, he expressed the earnest wish that he might be permitted to breathe the air of the fiftieth anniversary. His prayer was heard—that day whose dawn was hailed with such rapture through our land burst upon his eyes, and then they were closed forever. And what a noble consummation of a noble life! To die on that day—the birthday of a nation—the day which his own name and his own act had rendered glorious, to die amidst the rejoicings and festivities of a whole nation, who looked up to him as the author, under God, of their greatest blessings, was all that was wanting to fill up the record of his life.

Almost at the same hour of his death, the kindred spirit of the venerable Adams, as if to bear him company, left the scene of his earthly honors. Hand in hand they had stood forth, the champions of freedom; hand in hand, during the dark and desperate struggle of the Revolution, they had cheered and animated their desponding countrymen; for half a century they had labored together for the good of the country, and now hand in hand they departed. In their lives they had been united in the same great cause of liberty, and in their deaths they were not divided.

In person Mr. Jefferson was tall and thin, rather above six feet in height, but well formed; his eyes were light, his hair, originally red, in after life became white and silvery, his complexion was fair, his forehead broad, and his whole countenance intelligent and thoughtful. He possessed great fortitude of mind as well as personal courage, and his command of temper was such that his oldest and most intimate friends never recollected to have seen him in a passion. His manners, though dignified, were simple and unaffected, and his hospitality was so unbounded that all found at his house a ready welcome. In conversation he was fluent, eloquent and enthusiastic, and his language was remarkably pure and correct. He was a finished classical scholar, and in his writings is discernible the care with which he formed his style upon the best models of antiquity.



James Madison

JAMES MADISON.

JAMES MADISON, "Father of the Constitution," and fourth President of the United States, was born March 16, 1757, and died at his home in Virginia June 28, 1836. The name of James Madison is inseparably connected with most of the important events in that heroic period of our country during which the foundations of this great republic were laid. He was the last of the founders of the Constitution of the United States to be called to his eternal reward.

The Madison family were among the early emigrants to the New World, landing upon the shores of the Chesapeake but fifteen years after the settlement of Jamestown. The father of James Madison was an opulent planter, residing upon a very fine estate called Montpelier, in Orange County, Va. It was but twenty-five miles from the home of Jefferson at Monticello, and the closest personal and political attachment existed between these illustrious men from their early youth until death.

The early education of Mr. Madison was conducted mostly at home under a private tutor. At the age of eighteen he was sent to Princeton College, in New Jersey. Here he applied himself to study with the most imprudent zeal, allowing himself for months but three hours' sleep out of the twenty-four. His health thus became so seriously impaired that he never recovered any vigor of constitution. He graduated in 1771, with a feeble body, but with a character of utmost purity, and a mind highly disciplined and richly stored with learning, which embellished and gave efficiency to his subsequent career.

Returning to Virginia, he commenced the study of law and a course of extensive and systematic reading. This educational course, the spirit of the times in which he lived, and the society with which he associated, all combined to inspire him with a strong love of liberty, and to train him for his life-work as a statesman.

In the spring of 1776, when twenty-six years of age, he was elected a member of the Virginia Convention to frame the constitution of the State. The next year (1777), he was a candidate for the General Assembly. He refused to treat the whisky-loving voters, and consequently lost his election; but those who had witnessed the talent, energy and public spirit of the modest young man enlisted themselves in his behalf, and he was appointed to the Executive Council.

Both Patrick Henry and Thomas Jefferson were Governors of Virginia while Mr. Madison remained member of the Council, and their appreciation of his intellectual, social and moral worth contributed not a little to his subsequent eminence. In the year 1780 he was elected a member of the Continental Congress. Here he met the most illustrious men in our land, and he was immediately assigned to one of the most conspicuous positions among them. For three years he continued in Congress, one of its most active and influential members. In 1784, his term having expired, he was elected a member of the Virginia Legislature.

No man felt more deeply than Mr. Madison the utter inefficiency of the old confederacy, with no national government, and no power to form treaties which would be binding, or to enforce law. There was not any State more prominent than Virginia in the declaration that an efficient national government must be formed. In January, 1786, Mr. Madison carried a resolution through the General Assembly of Virginia, inviting the other States to appoint commissioners to meet in convention at Annapolis to discuss this subject. Five States only were represented. The convention, however, issued another call, drawn up by Mr. Madison, urging all the States to send their delegates to Philadelphia in May, 1787, to draft a Constitution for the United States, to take the place of the Confederate League. The delegates met at the time appointed. Every State but Rhode Island was represented. George Washing-

ton was chosen president of the convention, and the present Constitution of the United States was then and there formed. There was, perhaps, no mind and no pen more active in framing this immortal document than the mind and the pen of James Madison.

The Constitution, adopted by a vote of eighty-one to seventy-nine, was to be presented to the several States for acceptance. But grave solicitude was felt. Should it be rejected, we should be left but a conglomeration of independent States, with but little power at home and little respect abroad. Mr. Madison was elected by the convention to draw up an address to the people of the United States, expounding the principles of the Constitution, and urging its adoption. There was great opposition to it at first, but at length it triumphed over all, and went into effect in 1789.

Mr. Madison was elected to the House of Representatives in the first Congress, and soon became the avowed leader of the Republican party. While in New York attending Congress, he met Mrs. Todd, a young widow of remarkable power of fascination, whom he married. She was in person and character queenly, and probaby no lady has thus far occupied so prominent a position in the very peculiar society which has constituted our republican court as did Mrs. Madison.

Mr. Madison served as Secretary of State under Jefferson, and at the close of his administration was chosen President. At this time the encroachments of England had brought us to the verge of war. British orders in council destroyed our commerce, and our flag was exposed to constant insult. Mr. Madison was a man of peace. Scholarly in his taste, retiring in his disposition, war had no charms for him. But the meekest spirit can be roused. It makes one's blood boil, even now, to think of an American ship brought to upon the ocean by the guns of an English cruiser. A young lieutenant steps on board and orders the crew to be paraded before him. With great nonchalance he selects any number whom he may please to designate as British subjects, orders them down the ship's side into his boat, and places them on the gundeck of his man-of-war, to fight, by compulsion, the battles of England. This right of search and impressment no efforts of our Government could induce the British cabinet to relinquish.

On the 18th of June, 1812, President Madison gave his approval to an act of Congress declaring war against Great Britain. Notwithstanding the bitter hostility of the Federal party to the war, the country in general approved; and Mr. Madison, on the 4th of March, 1813, was re-elected by a large majority, and entered upon his second term of office. This is not the place to describe the various adventures of this war on the laud and on the water. Our infant navy then laid the foundations of its renown in grappling with the most formidable power which ever swept the seas. The contest commenced in earnest by the appearance of a British fleet, early in February, 1813, in Chesapeake Bay, declaring nearly the whole coast of the United States under blockade.

The Emperor of Russia offered his services as mediator. America accepted; England refused. A British force of five thousand men landed on the banks of the Patuxet River, near its entrance into Chesapeake Bay, and marched rapidly, by way of Bladensburg, upon Washington.

The straggling little city of Washington was thrown into consternation. The cannon of the brief conflict at Bladensburg echoed through the streets of the metropolis. The whole population fled from the city. The President, leaving Mrs. Madison in the White House, with her carriage drawn up at the door to await his speedy return, hurried to meet the officers in a council of war. He met our troops utterly routed, and he could not go back without danger of being captured. But few hours elapsed ere the Presidential Mansion, the Capitol, and all the public buildings in Washington were in flames.

The war closed after two years of fighting, and on February 13, 1815, the treaty of peace was signed at Ghent. On the 4th of March, 1817, his second term of office expired, and he resigned the Presidential chair to his friend, James Monroe. He retired to his beautiful home at Montpelier, and there passed the remainder of his days. On June 28, 1836, at the age of eighty-five years, he fell asleep in death. Mrs. Madison died July 12, 1849.

James Monroe

JAMES MONROE.

JAMES MONROE, the fifth President of the United States, was born in Westmoreland County, Va., April 28, 1758. His early life was passed at the place of his nativity. His ancestors had for many years resided in the province in which he was born. When he was seventeen years old, and in process of completing his education at William and Mary College, the Colonial Congress, assembled at Philadelphia to deliberate upon the unjust and manifold oppressions of Great Britain, declared the separation of the Colonies, and promulgated the Declaration of Independence. Had he been born ten years before, it is highly probable that he would have been one of the signers of that celebrated instrument. At this time he left school and enlisted among the patriots.

He joined the army when everything looked hopeless and gloomy. The number of deserters increased from day to day. The invading armies came pouring in, and the Tories not only favored the cause of the mother country, but disheartened the new recruits, who were sufficiently terrified at the prospect of contending with an enemy whom they had been taught to deem invincible. To such brave spirits as James Monroe, who went right onward undismayed through difficulty and danger, the United States owe their political emancipation. The young cadet joined the ranks and espoused the cause of his injured country, with a firm determination to live or die in her strife for liberty. Firmly, yet sadly, he shared in the melancholy retreat from Harlem Heights and White Plains, and accompanied the dispirited army as it fled before its foes through New Jersey. In four months after the Declaration of Independence, the patriots had been beaten in seven battles. At the battle of Trenton he led the vanguard, and in the act of charging upon the enemy he received a wound in the left shoulder.

As a reward for his bravery, Mr. Monroe was promoted to be captain of infantry, and, having recovered from his wounds, he rejoined the army. He, however, receded from the line of promotion by becoming an officer on the staff of Lord Sterling. During the campaigns of 1777 and 1778, in the actions of Brandywine, Germantown and Monmouth, he continued aide-de-camp; but becoming desirous to regain his position in the army, he exerted himself to collect a regiment for the Virginia line. This scheme failed, owing to the exhausted condition of the State. Upon this failure he entered the office of Mr. Jefferson, at that period Governor, and pursued with considerable ardor the study of common law. He did not, however, entirely lay aside the knapsack for the green bag, but on the invasion of the enemy served as a volunteer during the two years of his legal pursuits.

In 1782 he was elected from King George County a member of the Legislature of Virginia, and by that body he was elevated to a seat in the Executive Council. He was thus honored with the confidence of his fellow-citizens at twenty-three years of age, and having at this early period displayed some of that ability and aptitude for legislation which were afterward employed with unremitting energy for the public good, he was in the succeeding year chosen a member of the Congress of the United States.

Deeply as Mr. Monroe felt the imperfections of the old Confederacy, he was opposed to the new Constitution, thinking, with many others of the Republican party, that it gave too much power to the Central Government, and not enough to the individual States. Still he retained the esteem of his friends who were its warm supporters, and who, notwithstanding his opposition, secured its adoption. In 1789 he became a member of the United States Senate, which office he held for

four years. Every month the line of distinction between the two great parties which divided the nation, the Federal and the Republican, was growing more distinct. The differences which now separated them lay in the fact that the Republican party was in sympathy with France, and also in favor of such a strict construction of the Constitution as to give the Central Government as little power, and the State Governments as much power, as the Constitution would warrant; while the Federalists sympathized with England, and were in favor of a liberal construction of the Constitution, which would give as much power to the Central Government as that document could possibly authorize.

Washington was then President. England had espoused the cause of the Bourbons against the principles of the French Revolution. All Europe was drawn into the conflict. We were feeble and far away. Washington issued a proclamation of neutrality between these contending powers. France had helped us in the struggles for our liberties. All the despotisms of Europe were now combined to prevent the French from escaping from a tyranny a thousand-fold worse than that which we had endured. Col. Monroe, more magnanimous than prudent, was anxious that, at whatever hazard, we should help our old allies in their extremity. It was the impulse of a generous and noble nature, and Washington, who could appreciate such a character, showed his calm, serene, almost divine, greatness, by appointing that very James Monroe who was denouncing the policy of the Government, as the minister of that Government to the Republic of France. Mr. Monroe was welcomed by the National Convention in France with the most enthusiastic demonstration.

Shortly after his return to this country, Mr. Monroe was elected Governor of Virginia, and held the office for three years. He was again sent to France to co-operate with Chancellor Livingston in obtaining the vast territory then known as the province of Louisiana, which France had but shortly before obtained from Spain. Their united efforts were successful. For the comparatively small sum of fifteen millions of dollars, the entire territory of Orleans and district of Louisiana were added to the United States. This was probably the largest transfer of real estate which was ever made in all the history of the world.

From France Mr. Monroe went to England to obtain from that country some recognition of our rights as neutrals, and to remonstrate against those odious impressments of our seamen. But England was unrelenting. He again returned to England on the same mission, but could receive no redress. He returned to his home and was again chosen Governor of Virginia. This he soon resigned to accept the position of Secretary of State under Madison. While in this office war with England was declared, the Secretary of War resigned, and during these trying times the duties of the War Department were also put upon him. He was truly the armor-bearer of President Madison, and the most efficient business man in his cabinet. Upon the return of peace he resigned the Department of War, but continued in the office of Secretary of State until the expiration of Mr. Madison's administration. At the election held the previous autumn, Mr. Monroe himself had been chosen President with but little opposition, and upon March 4, 1817, he was inaugurated. Four years later he was elected for a second term.

Among the important measures of his Presidency were the cession of Florida to the United States, the Missouri Compromise, and the famous "Monroe doctrine." This doctrine was enunciated by him in 1823, and was as follows: "That we should consider any attempt on the part of European powers to extend their system to any portion of this hemisphere as dangerous to our peace and safety," and that "we could not view any interposition for the purpose of oppressing or controlling American governments or provinces in any other light than as a manifestation by European powers of an unfriendly disposition toward the United States."

At the end of his second term, Mr. Monroe retired to his home in Virginia, where he lived until 1830, when he went to New York to live with his son-in-law. In that city he died, on the 4th of July, 1831.

J. Q. Adams

JOHN QUINCY ADAMS.

JOHN QUINCY ADAMS, the sixth President of the United States, was born in the rural home of his honored father, John Adams, in Quincy, Mass., on the 11th of July, 1767. His mother, a woman of exalted worth, watched over his childhood during the almost constant absence of his father. When but eight years of age, he stood with his mother on an eminence, listening to the booming of the great battle on Bunker's Hill, and gazing out upon the smoke and flames billowing up from the conflagration of Charlestown.

When but eleven years old he took a tearful adieu of his mother, to sail with his father for Europe, through a fleet of hostile British cruisers. The bright, animated boy spent a year and a-half in Paris, where his father was associated with Franklin and Lee as Minister Plenipotentiary. His intelligence attracted the notice of these distinguished men, and he received from them flattering marks of attention.

John Adams had scarcely returned to this country, in 1779, ere he was again sent abroad. Again John Quincy accompanied his father. At Paris he applied himself to study with great diligence for six months, and then accompanied his father to Holland, where he entered first a school in Amsterdam, then the University at Leyden. About a year from this time, in 1781, when the manly boy was but fourteen years of age, he was selected by Mr. Dana, our Minister to the Russian court, as his private secretary.

In this school of incessant labor and of ennobling culture he spent fourteen months, and then returned to Holland, through Sweden, Denmark, Hamburg and Bremen. This long journey he took alone in the winter, when in his sixteenth year. Again he resumed his studies, under a private tutor, at The Hague. Then, in the spring of 1782, he accompanied his father to Paris, traveling leisurely, and forming acquaintances with the most distinguished men on the continent, examining architectural remains, galleries of paintings, and all renowned works of art. At Paris he again became associated with the most illustrious men of all lands in the contemplation of the loftiest temporal themes which can engross the human mind. After a short visit to England he returned to Paris, and consecrated all his energies to study until May, 1785, when he returned to America to finish his education.

Upon leaving Harvard College at the age of twenty, he studied law for three years. In June, 1794, being then but twenty-seven years of age, he was appointed by Washington Resident Minister at the Netherlands. Sailing from Boston in July, he reached London in October, where he was immediately admitted to the deliberations of Messrs. Jay & Pinckney, assisting them in negotiating a commercial treaty with Great Britain. After thus spending a fortnight in London, he proceeded to The Hague.

In July, 1797, he left The Hague to go to Portugal as Minister Plenipotentiary. On his way to Portugal, upon arriving in London, he met with despatches directing him to the court of Berlin, but requesting him to remain in London until he should receive his instructions. While waiting he was married to an American lady, to whom he had been previously engaged—Miss Louisa Catherine Johnson, a daughter of Joshua Johnson, American Consul in London, and a lady endowed with that beauty and those accomplishments which eminently fitted her to move in the elevated sphere for which she was destined. He reached Berlin with his wife in November, 1797, where he remained until July, 1799, when, having fulfilled all the purposes of his mission, he solicited his recall.

Soon after his return, in 1802, he was chosen to the Senate of Massachusetts from Boston, and then was elected Senator of the United States for six years, from the 4th of March, 1804. His reputation, his ability and his experience placed

him immediately among the most prominent and influential members of that body.

In 1809, Madison succeeded Jefferson in the Presidential chair, and he immediately nominated John Quincy Adams Minister to St. Petersburgh. Resigning his professorship in Harvard College, he embarked at Boston in August, 1809.

While in Russia, Mr. Adams was an intense student. He devoted his attention to the language and history of Russia; to the Chinese trade; to the European system of weights, measures and coins; to the climate and astronomical observations; while he kept up a familiar acquaintance with the Greek and Latin classics. In all the universities of Europe, a more accomplished scholar could scarcely be found. All through life the Bible constituted an important part of his studies. It was his rule to read five chapters every day.

On the 4th of March, 1817, Mr. Monroe took the Presidential chair, and immediately appointed Mr. Adams Secretary of State. Taking leave of his numerous friends in public and private life in Europe, he sailed in June, 1819, for the United States. On the 18th of August, he again crossed the threshold of his home in Quincy. During the eight years of Mr. Monroe's administration, Mr. Adams continued Secretary of State.

Some time before the close of Mr. Monroe's second term of office, new candidates began to be presented for the Presidency. The friends of Mr. Adams brought forward his name. It was an exciting campaign, and party spirit was never more bitter. Two hundred and sixty electoral votes were cast. Andrew Jackson received ninety-nine; John Quincy Adams eighty-four; William H. Crawford forty-one; and Henry Clay thirty-seven. As there was no choice by the people, the question went to the House of Representatives. Mr. Clay gave the vote of Kentucky to Mr. Adams, and he was elected.

The friends of all the disappointed candidates now combined in a venomous and persistent assault upon Mr. Adams. There is nothing more disgraceful in the past history of our country than the abuse which was poured in one uninterrupted stream upon this high-minded, upright and patriotic man. There never was an administration more pure in principles, more conscientiously devoted to the best interests of the country, than that of John Quincy Adams; and never, perhaps, was there an administration more unscrupulously and outrageously assailed.

On the 4th of March, 1829, Mr. Adams retired from the Presidency, and was succeeded by Andrew Jackson. John C. Calhoun was elected Vice-President. The slavery question now began to assume portentous magnitude. Mr. Adams returned to Quincy and to his studies, which he pursued with unabated zeal. But he was not long permitted to remain in retirement. In November, 1830, he was elected Representative in Congress. For seventeen years, or until his death, he occupied the post as Representative, towering above all his peers, ever ready to do brave battle for freedom, and winning the title of "the Old Man Eloquent." Upon taking his seat in the House, he announced that he should hold himself bound to no party. Probably there never was a member more devoted to his duties. He was usually the first in his place in the morning, and the last to leave his seat in the evening. Not a measure could be brought forward and escape his scrutiny. The battle which Mr. Adams fought, almost singly, against the pro-slavery party in the Government was sublime in its moral daring and heroism. For persisting in presenting petitions for the abolition of slavery, he was threatened with indictment by the grand jury, with expulsion from the House, with assassination; but no threats could intimidate him, and his final triumph was complete.

On the 21st of February, 1848, he rose on the floor of Congress with a paper in his hand, to address the speaker. Suddenly he fell, again stricken by paralysis, and was caught in the arms of those around him. For a time he was senseless, as he was conveyed to the sofa in the rotunda. With reviving consciousness, he opened his eyes, looked calmly around and said "This is the end of earth;" then after a moment's pause he added, "I am content." These were the last words of the grand "Old Man Eloquent."

Andrew Jackson

ANDREW JACKSON.

ANDREW JACKSON, the seventh President of the United States, was born in Waxhaw settlement, N. C., March 15, 1767, a few days after his father's death. His parents were poor emigrants from Ireland, and took up their abode in Waxhaw settlement, where they lived in deepest poverty.

Andrew, or Andy, as he was universally called, grew up a very rough, rude, turbulent boy. His features were coarse, his form ungainly, and there was but very little in his character made visible which was attractive.

When only thirteen years old he joined the volunteers of Carolina against the British invasion. In 1781, he and his brother Robert were captured and imprisoned for a time at Camden. A British officer ordered him to brush his mud-spattered boots. "I am a prisoner of war, not your servant," was the reply of the dauntless boy.

Andrew supported himself in various ways, such as working at the saddler's trade, teaching school, and clerking in a general store, until 1784, when he entered a law office at Salisbury, N. C. He, however, gave more attention to the wild amusements of the times than to his studies. In 1788, he was appointed solicitor for the Western District of North Carolina, of which Tennessee was then a part. This involved many long journeys amid dangers of every kind, but Andrew Jackson never knew fear, and the Indians had no desire to repeat a skirmish with "Sharp Knife."

In 1791, Mr. Jackson was married to a woman who supposed herself divorced from her former husband. Great was the surprise of both parties, two years later, to find that the conditions of the divorce had just been definitely settled by the first husband. The marriage ceremony was performed a second time, but the occurrence was often used by his enemies to bring Mr. Jackson into disfavor.

In January, 1796, the Territory of Tennessee then containing nearly eighty thousand inhabitants, the people met in convention at Knoxville to frame a constitution. Five were sent from each of the eleven counties. Andrew Jackson was one of the delegates. The new State was entitled to but one member in the National House of Representatives. Andrew Jackson was chosen that member. Mounting his horse, he rode to Philadelphia, where Congress then held its sessions, a distance of about eight hundred miles.

Jackson was an earnest advocate of the Democratic party, and Jefferson was his idol. He admired Bonaparte, loved France, and hated England. As Mr. Jackson took his seat, Gen. Washington, whose second term of office was then expiring, delivered his last speech to Congress. A committee drew up a complimentary address in reply. Andrew Jackson did not approve of the address, and was one of the twelve who voted against it. He was not willing to say that Gen. Washington's administration had been "wise, firm and patriotic."

Mr. Jackson was elected to the United States Senate in 1797, but soon resigned and returned home. Soon after he was chosen Judge of the Supreme Court of his State, which position he held for six years.

When the War of 1812 with Great Britain commenced, Madison occupied the Presidential chair. Aaron Burr sent word to the President that there was an unknown man in the West, Andrew Jackson, who would do credit to a commission if one were conferred upon him. Just at that time Gen. Jackson offered his services and those of twenty-five hundred volunteers. His offer was accepted, and the troops were assembled at Nashville.

As the British were hourly expected to make an attack upon New Orleans, where Gen. Wilkinson was in command, he was ordered to de-

send the river with fifteen hundred troops to aid Wilkinson. The expedition reached Natchez, and after a delay of several weeks there without accomplishing anything, the men were ordered back to their homes. But the energy Gen. Jackson had displayed, and his entire devotion to the comfort of his soldiers, won for him golden opinions, and he became the most popular man in the State. It was in this expedition that his toughness gave him the nickname of "Old Hickory."

Soon after this, while attempting to horsewhip Col. Thomas Benton for a remark that gentleman made about his taking part as second in a duel in which a younger brother of Benton's was engaged, he received two severe pistol wounds. While he was lingering upon a bed of suffering, news came that the Indians, who had combined under Tecumseh from Florida to the Lakes to exterminate the white settlers, were committing the most awful ravages. Decisive action became necessary. Gen. Jackson, with his fractured bone just beginning to heal, his arm in a sling, and unable to mount his horse without assistance, gave his amazing energies to the raising of an army to rendezvous at Fayettesville, Ala.

The Creek Indians had established a strong fort on one of the bends of the Tallapoosa River, near the center of Alabama, about fifty miles below Ft. Strother. With an army of two thousand men, Gen. Jackson traversed the pathless wilderness in a march of eleven days. He reached their fort, called Tohopeka or Horse-shoe, on the 27th of March, 1814. The bend of the river enclosed nearly one hundred acres of tangled forest and wild ravine. Across the narrow neck the Indians had constructed a formidable breastwork of logs and brush. Here nine hundred warriors, with an ample supply of arms, were assembled.

The fort was stormed. The fight was utterly desperate. Not an Indian would accept quarter. When bleeding and dying, they would fight those who endeavored to spare their lives. From ten in the morning until dark the battle raged. The carnage was awful and revolting. Some threw themselves into the river; but the unerring bullets struck their heads as they swam. Nearly every one of the nine hundred warriors was killed. A few, probably, in the night swam the river and escaped. This ended the war.

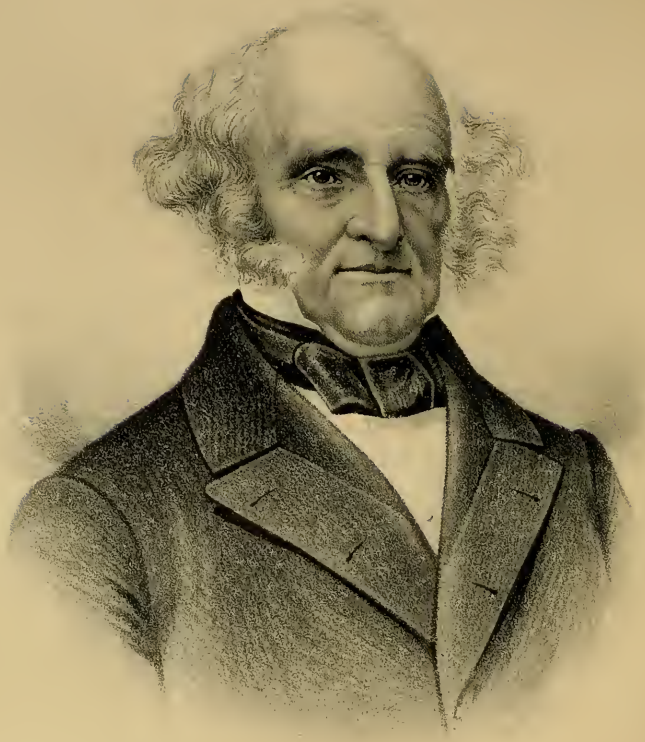
This closing of the Creek War enabled us to concentrate all our militia upon the British, who were the allies of the Indians. No man of less resolute will than Gen. Jackson could have conducted this Indian campaign to so successful an issue. Immediately he was appointed Major-General.

Late in August, with an army of two thousand men on a rushing march, Gen. Jackson went to Mobile. A British fleet went from Pensacola, landed a force upon the beach, anchored near the little fort, and from both ship and shore commenced a furious assault. The battle was long and doubtful. At length one of the ships was blown up and the rest retired.

Garrisoning Mobile, where he had taken his little army, he moved his troops to New Orleans, and the battle of New Orleans, which soon ensued, was in reality a very arduous campaign. This won for Gen. Jackson an imperishable name. Here his troops, which numbered about four thousand men, won a signal victory over the British army of about nine thousand. His loss was but thirteen, while the loss of the British was twenty-six hundred.

The name of Gen. Jackson soon began to be mentioned in connection with the Presidency, but in 1824 he was defeated by Mr. Adams. He was, however, successful in the election of 1828, and was re-elected for a second term in 1832. In 1829, just before he assumed the reins of government, he met with the most terrible affliction of his life in the death of his wife, whom he had loved with a devotion which has perhaps never been surpassed. From the shock of her death he never recovered.

His administration was one of the most memorable in the annals of our country—applauded by one party, condemned by the other. No man had more bitter enemies or warmer friends. At the expiration of his two terms of office he retired to the Hermitage, where he died June 8, 1845. The last years of Mr. Jackson's life were those of a devoted Christian man.



M. Van Buren

MARTIN VAN BUREN.

MARTIN VAN BUREN, the eighth President of the United States, was born at Kinderhook, N. Y., December 5, 1782. He died at the same place, July 24, 1862. His body rests in the cemetery at Kinderhook. Above it is a plain granite shaft, fifteen feet high, bearing a simple inscription about half-way up on one face. The lot is unfenced, unbordered or unbounded by shrub or flower.

There is but little in the life of Martin Van Buren of romantic interest. He fought no battles, engaged in no wild adventures. Though his life was stormy in political and intellectual conflicts, and he gained many signal victories, his days passed uneventful in those incidents which give zest to biography. His ancestors, as his name indicates, were of Dutch origin, and were among the earliest emigrants from Holland to the banks of the Hudson. His father was a farmer, residing in the old town of Kinderhook. His mother, also of Dutch lineage, was a woman of superior intelligence and exemplary piety.

He was decidedly a precocious boy, developing unusual activity, vigor and strength of mind. At the age of fourteen, he had finished his academic studies in his native village, and commenced the study of law. As he had not a collegiate education, seven years of study in a law-office were required of him before he could be admitted to the Bar. Inspired with a lofty ambition, and conscious of his powers, he pursued his studies with indefatigable industry. After spending six years in an office in his native village, he went to the city of New York, and prosecuted his studies for the seventh year.

In 1803, Mr. Van Buren, then twenty-one years of age, commenced the practice of law in his native village. The great conflict between the Federal and Republican parties was then at its height. Mr. Van Buren was from the beginning a politician. He had, perhaps, imbibed that spirit while listening to the many discussions which had been carried on in his father's hotel. He was in cordial sympathy with Jefferson, and earnestly and eloquently espoused the cause of State Rights, though at that time the Federal party held the supremacy both in his town and State.

His success and increasing reputation led him after six years of practice to remove to Hudson, the county seat of his county. Here he spent seven years, constantly gaining strength by contending in the courts with some of the ablest men who have adorned the Bar of his State.

Just before leaving Kinderhook for Hudson, Mr. Van Buren married a lady alike distinguished for beauty and accomplishments. After twelve short years she sank into the grave, a victim of consumption, leaving her husband and four sons to weep over her loss. For twenty-five years, Mr. Van Buren was an earnest, successful, assiduous lawyer. The record of those years is barren in items of public interest. In 1812, when thirty years of age, he was chosen to the State Senate, and gave his strenuous support to Mr. Madison's administration. In 1815, he was appointed Attorney-General, and the next year moved to Albany, the capital of the State.

While he was acknowledged as one of the most prominent leaders of the Democratic party, he had the moral courage to avow that true democracy did not require that "universal suffrage" which admits the vile, the degraded, the ignorant, to the right

of governing the State. In true consistency with his democratic principles, he contended that, while the path leading to the privilege of voting should be open to every man without distinction, no one should be invested with that sacred prerogative unless he were in some degree qualified for it by intelligence, virtue, and some property interests in the welfare of the State.

In 1821 he was elected a member of the United States Senate, and in the same year he took a seat in the convention to revise the Constitution of his native State. His course in this convention secured the approval of men of all parties. No one could doubt the singleness of his endeavors to promote the interests of all classes in the community. In the Senate of the United States, he rose at once to a conspicuous position as an active and useful legislator.

In 1827, John Quincy Adams being then in the Presidential chair, Mr. Van Buren was re-elected to the Senate. He had been from the beginning a determined opposer of the administration, adopting the "State Rights" view in opposition to what was deemed the Federal proclivities of Mr. Adams.

Soon after this, in 1828, he was chosen Governor of the State of New York, and accordingly resigned his seat in the Senate. Probably no one in the United States contributed so much towards ejecting John Q. Adams from the Presidential chair, and placing in it Andrew Jackson, as did Martin Van Buren. Whether entitled to the reputation or not, he certainly was regarded throughout the United States as one of the most skillful, sagacious and cunning of politicians. It was supposed that no one knew so well as he how to touch the secret springs of action, how to pull all the wires to put his machinery in motion, and how to organize a political army which would secretly and stealthily accomplish the most gigantic results. By these powers it is said that he outwitted Mr. Adams, Mr. Clay, and Mr. Webster, and secured results which few then thought could be accomplished.

When Andrew Jackson was elected President he appointed Mr. Van Buren Secretary of State. This position he resigned in 1831, and was immediately appointed Minister to England, where he went the same autumn. The Senate, however, when it met, refused to ratify the nomination, and he returned home, apparently untroubled. Later he was nominated Vice-President in the place of Calhoun, at the re-election of President Jackson, and with smiles for all and frowns for none, he took his place at the head of that Senate which had refused to confirm his nomination as ambassador.

His rejection by the Senate roused all the zeal of President Jackson in behalf of his repudiated favorite; and this, probably, more than any other cause secured his elevation to the chair of the Chief Executive. On the 20th of May, 1836, Mr. Van Buren received the Democratic nomination to succeed Gen. Jackson as President of the United States. He was elected by a handsome majority, to the delight of the retiring President. "Leaving New York out of the canvass," says Mr. Parton, "the election of Mr. Van Buren to the Presidency was as much the act of Gen. Jackson as though the Constitution had conferred upon him the power to appoint a successor."

His administration was filled with exciting events. The insurrection in Canada, which threatened to involve this country in war with England, the agitation of the slavery question, and finally the great commercial panic which spread over the country, all were trials of his wisdom. The financial distress was attributed to the management of the Democratic party, and brought the President into such disfavor that he failed of re-election, and on the 4th of March, 1841, he retired from the presidency.

With the exception of being nominated for the Presidency by the "Free Soil" Democrats in 1848, Mr. Van Buren lived quietly upon his estate until his death. He had ever been a prudent man, of frugal habits, and, living within his income, had now fortunately a competence for his declining years. From his fine estate at Lindenwald, he still exerted a powerful influence upon the politics of the country. From this time until his death, on the 24th of July, 1862, at the age of eighty years, he resided at Lindenwald, a gentleman of leisure, of culture and wealth, enjoying in a healthy old age probably far more happiness than he had before experienced amid the stormy scenes of his active life.

W. H. Harrison

WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON.

WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON, the ninth President of the United States, was born at Berkeley, Va., February 9, 1773. His father, Benjamin Harrison, was in comparatively opulent circumstances, and was one of the most distinguished men of his day. He was an intimate friend of George Washington, was early elected a member of the Continental Congress, and was conspicuous among the patriots of Virginia in resisting the encroachments of the British crown. In the celebrated Congress of 1775, Benjamin Harrison and John Hancock were both candidates for the office of Speaker.

Mr. Harrison was subsequently chosen Governor of Virginia, and was twice re-elected. His son William Henry, of course, enjoyed in childhood all the advantages which wealth and intellectual and cultivated society could give. Having received a thorough common-school education, he entered Hampden Sidney College, where he graduated with honor soon after the death of his father. He then repaired to Philadelphia to study medicine under the instructions of Dr. Rush and the guardianship of Robert Morris, both of whom were, with his father, signers of the Declaration of Independence.

Upon the outbreak of the Indian troubles, and notwithstanding the remonstrances of his friends, he abandoned his medical studies and entered the army, having obtained a commission as Ensign from President Washington. He was then but nineteen years old. From that time he passed gradually upward in rank until he became aide to Gen. Wayne, after whose death he resigned his commission. He was then appointed Secretary of the Northwestern Territory. This Territory was then entitled to but one member in Congress, and Harrison was chosen to fill that position. In the spring of 1800 the Northwestern Territory was divided by Congress into two portions. The eastern portion, comprising the region now embraced in the State of Ohio, was called "The Territory northwest of the Ohio." The western portion, which included what is now called Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin, was called "the Indiana Territory." William Henry Harrison, then twenty-seven years of age, was appointed by John Adams Governor of the Indiana Territory, and immediately after also Governor of Upper Louisiana. He was thus ruler over almost as extensive a realm as any sovereign upon the globe. He was Superintendent of Indian Affairs, and was invested with powers nearly dictatorial over the then rapidly increasing white population. The ability and fidelity with which he discharged these responsible duties may be inferred from the fact that he was four times appointed to this office—first by John Adams, twice by Thomas Jefferson, and afterwards by President Madison.

When he began his administration there were but three white settlements in that almost boundless region, now crowded with cities and resounding with all the tumult of wealth and traffic. One of these settlements was on the Ohio, nearly opposite Louisville; one at Vincennes, on the Wabash; and the third was a French settlement.

The vast wilderness over which Gov. Harrison reigned was filled with many tribes of Indians. About the year 1806, two extraordinary men, twin brothers of the Shawnee tribe, rose among them. One of these was called Tecumseh, or "the Crouching Panther;" the other Olliwacheca, or "the Prophet." Tecumseh was not only an Indian warrior, but a man of great sagac-

ity, far-reaching foresight and indomitable perseverance in any enterprise in which he might engage. His brother, the Prophet, was an orator, who could sway the feelings of the untutored Indians as the gale tossed the tree-tops beneath which they dwelt. With an enthusiasm unsurpassed by Peter the Hermit rousing Europe to the crusades, he went from tribe to tribe, assuming that he was specially sent by the Great Spirit.

Gov. Harrison made many attempts to conciliate the Indians, but at last war came, and at Tippecanoe the Indians were routed with great slaughter. October 28, 1812, his army began its march. When near the Prophet's town, three Indians of rank made their appearance and inquired why Gov. Harrison was approaching them in so hostile an attitude. After a short conference, arrangements were made for a meeting the next day to agree upon terms of peace.

But Gov. Harrison was too well acquainted with the Indian character to be deceived by such protestations. Selecting a favorable spot for his night's encampment, he took every precaution against surprise. His troops were posted in a hollow square and slept upon their arms. The wakeful Governor, between three and four o'clock in the morning, had risen, and was sitting in conversation with his aides by the embers of a waning fire. It was a chill, cloudy morning, with a drizzling rain. In the darkness, the Indians had crept as near as possible, and just then, with a savage yell, rushed, with all the desperation which superstition and passion most highly inflamed could give, upon the left flank of the little army. The savages had been amply provided with guns and ammunition by the English, and their war-whoop was accompanied by a shower of bullets.

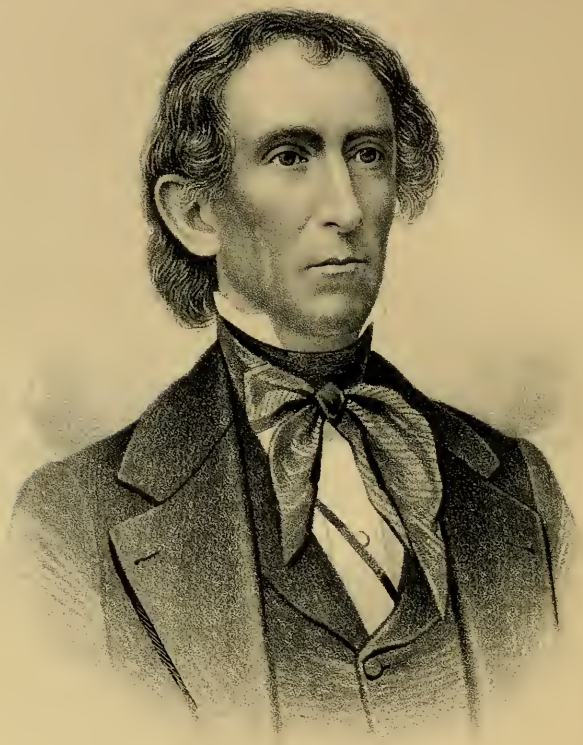
The camp-fires were instantly extinguished, as the light aided the Indians in their aim, and Gen. Harrison's troops stood as immovable as the rocks around them until day dawned, when they made a simultaneous charge with the bayonet and swept everything before them, completely routing the foe.

Gov. Harrison now had all his energies tasked to the utmost. The British, descending from the Canadas, were of themselves a very formidable force, but with their savage allies rushing like wolves from the forest, burning, plundering, scalping, torturing, the wide frontier was plunged into a state of consternation which even the most vivid imagination can but faintly conceive. Gen. Hull had made an ignominious surrender of his forces at Detroit. Under these despairing circumstances, Gov. Harrison was appointed by President Madison Commander-in-Chief of the Northwestern Army, with orders to retake Detroit and to protect the frontiers. It would be difficult to place a man in a situation demanding more energy, sagacity and courage, but he was found equal to the position, and nobly and triumphantly did he meet all the responsibilities.

In 1816, Gen. Harrison was chosen a member of the National House of Representatives, to represent the District of Ohio. In Congress he proved an active member, and whenever he spoke it was with a force of reason and power of eloquence which arrested the attention of all the members.

In 1819, Harrison was elected to the Senate of Ohio, and in 1824, as one of the Presidential Electors of that State, he gave his vote for Henry Clay. The same year he was chosen to the United States Senate. In 1836 his friends brought him forward as a candidate for the Presidency against Van Buren, but he was defeated. At the close of Mr. Van Buren's term, he was re-nominated by his party, and Mr. Harrison was unanimously nominated by the Whigs, with John Tyler for the Vice-Presidency. The contest was very animated. Gen. Jackson gave all his influence to prevent Harrison's election, but his triumph was signal.

The cabinet which he formed, with Daniel Webster at its head as Secretary of State, was one of the most brilliant with which any President had ever been surrounded. Never were the prospects of an administration more flattering, or the hopes of the country more sanguine. In the midst of these bright and joyous prospects, Gen. Harrison was seized by a pleurisy-fever, and after a few days of violent sickness died, on the 4th of April, just one month after his inauguration as President of the United States.



John Tyler

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JOHN TYLER, the tenth President of the United States, and was born in Charles City County, Va., March 29, 1790. He was the favored child of affluence and high social position. At the early age of twelve, John entered William and Mary College, and graduated with much honor when but seventeen years old. After graduating, he devoted himself with great assiduity to the study of law, partly with his father and partly with Edmund Randolph, one of the most distinguished lawyers of Virginia.

At nineteen years of age, he commenced the practice of law. His success was rapid and astonishing. It is said that three months had not elapsed ere there was scarcely a case on the docket of the court in which he was not retained. When but twenty-one years of age, he was almost unanimously elected to a seat in the State Legislature. He connected himself with the Democratic party, and warmly advocated the measures of Jefferson and Madison. For five successive years he was elected to the Legislature, receiving nearly the unanimous vote of his county.

When but twenty-six years of age, he was elected a Member of Congress. Here he acted earnestly and ably with the Democratic party, opposing a national bank, internal improvements by the General Government, and a protective tariff; advocating a strict construction of the Constitution and the most careful vigilance over State rights. His labors in Congress were so arduous that before the close of his second term he found it necessary to resign and retire to his estate in Charles City County to recruit his health. He, however, soon after consented to take his seat in the State Legislature, where his influence was powerful in promoting public works of great utility. With a reputation thus constantly increasing, he was chosen by a very large majority of votes Governor of his native State. His administration was a signally successful one, and his popularity secured his re-election.

John Randolph, a brilliant, erratic, half-crazed man, then represented Virginia in the Senate of the United States. A portion of the Democratic party was displeased with Mr. Randolph's wayward course, and brought forward John Tyler as his opponent, considering him the only man in Virginia of sufficient popularity to succeed against the renowned orator of Roanoke. Mr. Tyler was the victor.

In accordance with his professions, upon taking his seat in the Senate he joined the ranks of the opposition. He opposed the tariff, and spoke against and voted against the bank as unconstitutional; he strenuously opposed all restrictions upon slavery, resisting all projects of internal improvements by the General Government, and avowed his sympathy with Mr. Calhoun's view of nullification; he declared that Gen. Jackson, by his opposition to the nullifiers, had abandoned the principles of the Democratic party. Such was Mr. Tyler's record in Congress—a record in perfect accordance with the principles which he had always avowed.

Returning to Virginia, he resumed the practice of his profession. There was a split in the Democratic party. His friends still regarded him as a true Jeffersonian, gave him a dinner, and showered compliments upon him. He had now attained the age of forty-six, and his career had been very brilliant. In consequence of his devotion to public business, his private affairs had fallen into some disorder, and it was not without satisfaction that he resumed the practice of law, and devoted himself to the cultivation of his plantation. Soon after this he removed to Williamsburg, for the better education of his children, and he again took his seat in the Legislature of Virginia.

By the southern Whigs he was sent to the national convention at Harrisburg in 1839 to nominate a President. The majority of votes were given to Gen Harrison, a genuine Whig, much to the disappointment of the South, which wished

for Henry Clay. To conciliate the southern Whigs and to secure their vote, the convention then nominated John Tyler for Vice-President. It was well known that he was not in sympathy with the Whig party in the North; but the Vice-President has very little power in the Government, his main and almost only duty being to preside over the meetings of the Senate. Thus it happened that a Whig President and, in reality, a Democratic Vice-President were chosen.

In 1841, Mr. Tyler was inaugurated Vice-President of the United States. In one short month from that time, President Harrison died, and Mr. Tyler thus found himself, to his own surprise and that of the whole nation, an occupant of the Presidential chair. Hastening from Williamsburg to Washington, on the 6th of April he was inaugurated to the high and responsible office. He was placed in a position of exceeding delicacy and difficulty. All his long life he had been opposed to the main principles of the party which had brought him into power. He had ever been a consistent, honest man, with an unblemished record. Gen. Harrison had selected a Whig cabinet. Should he retain them, and thus surround himself with counselors whose views were antagonistic to his own? or, on the other hand, should he turn against the party which had elected him, and select a cabinet in harmony with himself, and which would oppose all those views which the Whigs deemed essential to the public welfare? This was his fearful dilemma. He invited the cabinet which President Harrison had selected to retain their seats, and recommended a day of fasting and prayer, that God would guide and bless us.

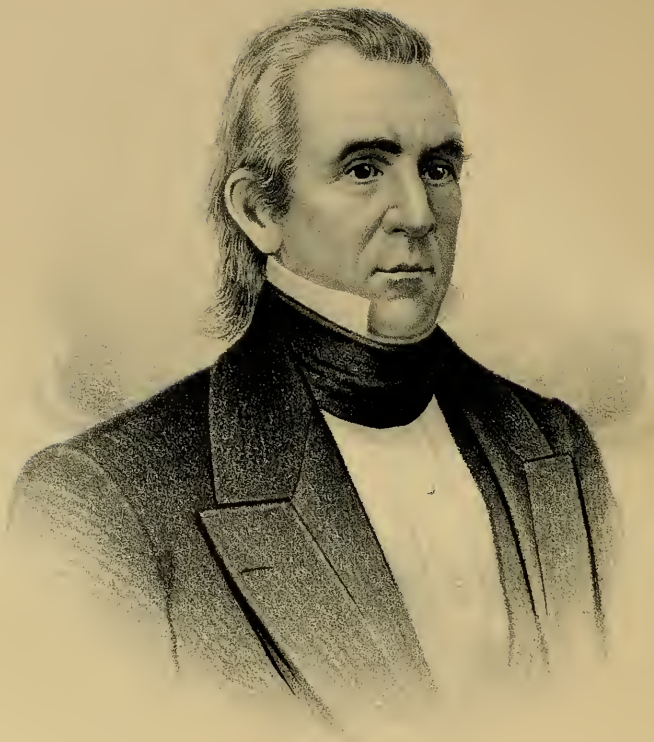
The Whigs carried through Congress a bill for the incorporation of a fiscal bank of the United States. The President, after ten days' delay, returned it with his veto. He suggested, however, that he would approve of a bill drawn up upon such a plan as he proposed. Such a bill was accordingly prepared, and privately submitted to him. He gave it his approval. It was passed without alteration, and he sent it back with his veto. Here commenced the open rupture. It is said that Mr. Tyler was provoked to this measure by a published letter from the Hon. John M. Botts, a distinguished Virginia Whig, who severely touched the pride of the President.

The opposition now exultingly received the President into their arms. The party which elected him denounced him bitterly. All the members of his cabinet, excepting Mr. Webster, resigned. The Whigs of Congress, both the Senate and the House, held a meeting and issued an address to the people of the United States, proclaiming that all political alliance between the Whigs and President Tyler was at an end.

Still the President attempted to conciliate. He appointed a new cabinet of distinguished Whigs and Conservatives, carefully leaving out all strong party men. Mr. Webster soon found it necessary to resign, forced out by the pressure of his Whig friends. Thus the four years of Mr. Tyler's unfortunate administration passed sadly away. No one was satisfied. The land was filled with murmurs and vituperation. Whigs and Democrats alike assailed him. More and more, however, he brought himself into sympathy with his old friends, the Democrats, until at the close of his term he gave his whole influence to the support of Mr. Polk, the Democratic candidate for his successor.

On the 4th of March, 1845, President Tyler retired from the harassments of office, to the regret of neither party, and probably to his own unspeakable relief. The remainder of his days were passed mainly in the retirement of his beautiful home—Sherwood Forest, Charles City County, Va. His first wife, Miss Letitia Christian, died in Washington in 1842; and in June, 1844, he was again married, at New York, to Miss Julia Gardiner, a young lady of many personal and intellectual accomplishments.

When the great Rebellion rose, which the State Rights and nullifying doctrines of John C. Calhoun had inaugurated, President Tyler renounced his allegiance to the United States, and joined the Confederates. He was chosen a member of their Congress, and while engaged in active measures to destroy, by force of arms, the Government over which he had once presided, he was taken sick and soon died.



James K. Polk

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JAMES K. POLK, the eleventh President of the United States, was born in Mecklenburgh County, N. C., November 2, 1795. His parents were Samuel and Jane (Knox) Polk, the former a son of Col. Thomas Polk, who located at the above place, as one of the first pioneers, in 1735. In 1806, with his wife and children, and soon after followed by most of the members of the Polk family, Samuel Polk emigrated some two or three hundred miles farther west, to the rich valley of the Duck River. Here, in the midst of the wilderness, in a region which was subsequently called Maury County, they erected their log huts and established their homes. In the hard toil of a new farm in the wilderness, James K. Polk spent the early years of his childhood and youth. His father, adding the pursuit of a surveyor to that of a farmer, gradually increased in wealth, until he became one of the leading men of the region. His mother was a superior woman, of strong common sense and earnest piety.

Very early in life James developed a taste for reading, and expressed the strongest desire to obtain a liberal education. His mother's training had made him methodical in his habits, had taught him punctuality and industry, and had inspired him with lofty principles of morality. His health was frail, and his father, fearing that he might not be able to endure a sedentary life, got a situation for him behind the counter, hoping to fit him for commercial pursuits.

This was to James a bitter disappointment. He had no taste for these duties, and his daily tasks were irksome in the extreme. He remained in this uncongenial occupation but a few weeks, when, at his earnest solicitation, his father removed him and made arrangements for him to prosecute his studies. Soon after he sent him to Murfreesboro Academy. With ardor which could scarcely be surpassed, he pressed forward in his studies, and in less than two and a-half years, in the autumn of 1815, entered the sophomore class in the University of North Carolina, at Chapel Hill. Here he was one of the most exemplary of scholars, punctual in every exercise, never allowing himself to be absent from a recitation or a religious service.

Mr. Polk graduated in 1818, with the highest honors, being deemed the best scholar of his class, both in mathematics and the classics. He was then twenty-three years of age. His health was at this time much impaired by the assiduity with which he had prosecuted his studies. After a short season of relaxation, he went to Nashville, and entered the office of Felix Grundy, to study law. Here Mr. Polk renewed his acquaintance with Andrew Jackson, who resided on his plantation, the "Hermitage," but a few miles from Nashville. They had probably been slightly acquainted before.

Mr. Polk's father was a Jeffersonian Republican and James K. adhered to the same political faith. He was a popular public speaker, and was constantly called upon to address the meetings of his party friends. His skill as a speaker was such that he was popularly called the Napoleon of the stump. He was a man of unblemished morals, genial and courteous in his bearing, and with that sympathetic nature in the joys and griefs of others which gave him hosts of friends. In 1823, he was elected to the Legislature of Tennessee, and gave his strong influence toward the election of his friend, Mr. Jackson, to the Presidency of the United States.

In January, 1824, Mr. Polk married Miss Sarah Childress, of Rutherford County, Tenn. His bride was altogether worthy of him—a lady of beauty and culture. In the fall of 1825 Mr. Polk was chosen a member of Congress, and the satisfaction he gave his constituents may be inferred

from the fact, that for fourteen successive years, or until 1839, he was continued in that office. He then voluntarily withdrew, only that he might accept the Gubernatorial chair of Tennessee. In Congress he was a laborious member, a frequent and a popular speaker. He was always in his seat, always courteous, and whenever he spoke it was always to the point, without any ambitious rhetorical display.

During five sessions of Congress Mr. Polk was Speaker of the House. Strong passions were roused and stormy scenes were witnessed, but he performed his arduous duties to a very general satisfaction, and a unanimous vote of thanks to him was passed by the House as he withdrew on the 4th of March, 1839.

In accordance with Southern usage, Mr. Polk, as a candidate for Governor, canvassed the State. He was elected by a large majority, and on October 14, 1839, took the oath of office at Nashville. In 1841 his term of office expired, and he was again the candidate of the Democratic party, but was defeated.

On the 4th of March, 1845, Mr. Polk was inaugurated President of the United States. The verdict of the country in favor of the annexation of Texas exerted its influence upon Congress, and the last act of the administration of President Tyler was to affix his signature to a joint resolution of Congress, passed on the 3d of March, approving of the annexation of Texas to the Union. As Mexico still claimed Texas as one of her provinces, the Mexican Minister, Almonte, immediately demanded his passports and left the country, declaring the act of the annexation to be an act hostile to Mexico.

In his first message, President Polk urged that Texas should immediately, by act of Congress, be received into the Union on the same footing with the other States. In the mean time, Gen. Taylor was sent with an army into Texas to hold the country. He was first sent to Nueces, which the Mexicans said was the western boundary of Texas. Then he was sent nearly two hundred miles further west, to the Rio Grande, where he erected batteries which commanded the Mexican city of Matamoras, which was situated on the western banks. The anticipated collision soon took place, and war was declared against Mexico by President Polk. The war was pushed forward by his administration with great vigor. Gen. Taylor, whose army was first called one of "observation," then of "occupation," then of "invasion," was sent forward to Monterey. The feeble Mexicans in every encounter were hopelessly slaughtered. The day of judgment alone can reveal the misery which this war caused. It was by the ingenuity of Mr. Polk's administration that the war was brought on.

"To the victors belong the spoils." Mexico was prostrate before us. Her capital was in our hands. We now consented to peace upon the condition that Mexico should surrender to us, in addition to Texas, all of New Mexico, and all of Upper and Lower California. This new demand embraced, exclusive of Texas, eight hundred thousand square miles. This was an extent of territory equal to nine States of the size of New York. Thus slavery was securing eighteen majestic States to be added to the Union. There were some Americans who thought it all right; there were others who thought it all wrong. In the prosecution of this war we expended twenty thousand lives and more than $100,000,000. Of this money $15,000,000 were paid to Mexico.

On the 3d of March, 1849, Mr. Polk retired from office, having served one term. The next day was Sunday. On the 5th, Gen. Taylor was inaugurated as his successor. Mr. Polk rode to the Capitol in the same carriage with Gen. Taylor, and the same evening, with Mrs. Polk, he commenced his return to Tennessee. He was then but fifty-four years of age. He had always been strictly temperate in all his habits, and his health was good. With an ample fortune, a choice library, a cultivated mind, and domestic ties of the dearest nature, it seemed as though long years of tranquillity and happiness were before him. But the cholera—that fearful scourge—was then sweeping up the Valley of the Mississippi, and he contracted the disease, dying on the 15th of June, 1849, in the fifty-fourth year of his age, greatly mourned by his countrymen.

Zachary Taylor

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ZACHARY TAYLOR, twelfth President of the United States, was born on the 24th of November, 1784, in Orange County, Va. His father, Col. Taylor, was a Virginian of note, and a distinguished patriot and soldier of the Revolution. When Zachary was an infant, his father, with his wife and two children, emigrated to Kentucky, where he settled in the pathless wilderness, a few miles from Louisville. In this frontier home, away from civilization and all its refinements, young Zachary could enjoy but few social and educational advantages. When six years of age he attended a common school, and was then regarded as a bright, active boy, rather remarkable for bluntness and decision of character. He was strong, fearless and self-reliant, and manifested a strong desire to enter the army to fight the Indians, who were ravaging the frontiers. There is little to be recorded of the uneventful years of his childhood on his father's large but lonely plantation.

In 1808, his father succeeded in obtaining for him a commission as Lieutenant in the United States army, and he joined the troops which were stationed at New Orleans under Gen. Wilkinson. Soon after this he married Miss Margaret Smith, a young lady from one of the first families of Maryland.

Immediately after the declaration of war with England, in 1812, Capt. Taylor (for he had then been promoted to that rank) was put in command of Ft. Harrison, on the Wabash, about fifty miles above Vincennes. This fort had been built in the wilderness by Gen. Harrison, on his march to Tippecanoe. It was one of the first points of attack by the Indians, led by Tecumseh. Its garrison consisted of a broken company of infantry, numbering fifty men, many of whom were sick.

Early in the autumn of 1812, the Indians, stealthily, and in large nnmbers, moved upon the fort. Their approach was first indicated by the murder of two soldiers just outside of the stockade. Capt. Taylor made every possible preparation to meet the anticipated assault. On the 4th of September, a band of forty painted and plumed savages came to the fort, waving a white flag, and informed Capt. Taylor that in the morning their chief would come to have a talk with him. It was evident that their object was merely to ascertain the state of things at the fort, and Capt. Taylor, well versed in the wiles of the savages, kept them at a distance.

The sun went down; the savages disappeared; the garrison slept upon their arms. One hour before midnight the war-whoop burst from a thousand lips in the forest around, followed by the discharge of musketry and the rush of the foe. Every man, sick and well, sprang to his post. Every man knew that defeat was not merely death, but, in the case of capture, death by the most agonizing and prolonged torture. No pen can describe, no imagination can conceive, the scenes which ensued. The savages succeeded in setting fire to one of the block-houses. Until six o'clock in the morning this awful conflict continued, when the savages, baffled at every point and gnashing their teeth with rage, retired. Capt. Taylor, for this gallant defense, was promoted to the rank of Major by brevet.

Until the close of the war, Maj. Taylor was placed in such situations that he saw but little more of active service. He was sent far away into the depths of the wilderness to Ft. Crawford, on Fox River, which empties into Green Bay. Here there was little to be done but to wear away the tedious hours as one best could. There were no books, no society, no intellectual stimulus. Thus with him the uneventful years rolled on. Gradually he rose to the rank of Colonel. In the Black Hawk War, which re-

sulted in the capture of that renowned chieftain, Col. Taylor took a subordinate, but a brave and efficient, part.

For twenty-four years Col. Taylor was engaged in the defense of the frontiers, in scenes so remote, and in employments so obscure, that his name was unknown beyond the limits of his own immediate acquaintance. In the year 1836, he was sent to Florida to compel the Seminole Indians to vacate that region, and retire beyond the Mississippi, as their chiefs by treaty had promised they should do. The services rendered here secured for Col. Taylor the high appreciation of the Government, and as a reward he was elevated to the high rank of Brigadier-General by brevet, and soon after, in May, 1838, was appointed to the chief command of the United States troops in Florida.

After two years of wearisome employment amidst the everglades of the Peninsula, Gen. Taylor obtained, at his own request, a change of command, and was stationed over the Department of the Southwest. This field embraced Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Georgia. Establishing his headqnarters at Ft. Jessup, in Louisiana, he removed his family to a plantation which he purchased near Baton Rouge. Here he remained for five years, buried, as it were, from the world, but faithfully discharging every duty imposed upon him.

In 1846, Gen. Taylor was sent to guard the land between the Nueces and Rio Grande, the latter river being the boundary of Texas, which was then claimed by the United States. Soon the war with Mexico was brought on, and at Palo Alto and Resaca de la Palma, Gen. Taylor won brilliant victories over the Mexicans. The rank of Major-General by brevet was then conferred upon Gen. Taylor, and his name was received with enthusiasm almost everywhere in the nation. Then came the battles of Monterey and Buena Vista, in which he won signal victories over forces much larger than he commanded.

The tidings of the brilliant victory of Buena Vista spread the wildest enthusiasm over the country. The name of Gen. Taylor was on every one's lips. The Whig party decided to take advantage of this wonderful popularity in bringing forward the unpolished, unlettered, honest soldier as their candidate for the Presidency. Gen. Taylor was astonished at the announcement, and for a time wonld not listen to it, declaring that he was not at all qualified for such an office. So little interest had he taken in politics, that for forty years he had not cast a vote. It was not without chagrin that several distinguished statesmen, who had been long years in the public service, found their claims set aside in behalf of one whose name had never been heard of, save in connection with Palo Alto, Resaca de la Palma, Monterey and Buena Vista. It is said that Daniel Webster, in his haste, remarked, "It is a nomination not fit to be made."

Gen. Taylor was not an eloquent speaker nor a fine writer. His friends took possession of him, and prepared such few communications as it was needfnl should be presented to the public. The popularity of the successful warrior swept the land. He was triumphantly elected over two opposing candidates,—Gen. Cass and Ex-President Martin Van Buren. Though he selected an excellent cabinet, the good old man found himself in a very uncongenial position, and was at times sorely perplexed and harassed. His mental sufferings were very severe, and probably tended to hasten his death. The pro-slavery party was pushing its claims with tireless energy; expeditions were fitting out to capture Cuba; California was pleading for admission to the Union, while slavery stood at the door to bar her out. Gen. Taylor found the political conflicts in Washington to be far more trying to the nerves than battles with Mexicans or Indians.

In the midst of all these troubles, Gen. Taylor, after he had occupied the Presidential chair but little over a year, took cold, and after a brief sickness of but little over five days, died, on the 9th of July, 1850. His last words were, "I am not afraid to die. I am ready. I have endeavored to do my duty." He died universally respected and beloved. An honest, unpretending man, he had been steadily growing in the affections of the people, and the Nation bitterly lamented his death.

Millard Fillmore

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MILLARD FILLMORE, thirteenth President of the United States, was born at Summer Hill, Cayuga County, N. Y., on the 7th of January, 1800. His father was a farmer, and, owing to misfortune, in humble circumstances. Of his mother, the daughter of Dr. Abiathar Millard, of Pittsfield, Mass., it has been said that she possessed an intellect of a high order, united with much personal loveliness, sweetness of disposition, graceful manners and exquisite sensibilities. She died in 1831, having lived to see her son a young man of distinguished promise, though she was not permitted to witness the high dignity which he finally attained.

In consequence of the secluded home and limited means of his father, Millard enjoyed but slender advantages for education in his early years. The common schools, which he occasionally attended, were very imperfect institutions, and books were scarce and expensive. There was nothing then in his character to indicate the brilliant career upon which he was about to enter. He was a plain farmer's boy—intelligent, good-looking, kind-hearted. The sacred influences of home had taught him to revere the Bible, and had laid the foundations of an upright character. When fourteen years of age, his father sent him some hundred miles from home to the then wilds of Livingston County, to learn the trade of a clothier. Near the mill there was a small village, where some enterprising man had commenced the collection of a village library. This proved an inestimable blessing to young Fillmore. His evenings were spent in reading. Soon every leisure moment was occupied with books. His thirst for knowledge became insatiate, and the selections which he made were continually more elevating and instructive. He read history, biography, oratory, and thus gradually there was enkindled in his heart a desire to be something more than a mere worker with his hands.

The young clothier had now attained the age of nineteen years, and was of fine personal appearance and of gentlemanly demeanor. It so happened that there was a gentleman in the neighborhood of ample pecuniary means and of benevolence,—Judge Walter Wood,—who was struck with the prepossessing appearance of young Fillmore. He made his acquaintance, and was so much impressed with his ability and attainments that he advised him to abandon his trade and devote himself to the study of the law. The young man replied that he had no means of his own, no friends to help him, and that his previous education had been very imperfect. But Judge Wood had so much confidence in him that he kindly offered to take him into his own office, and to lend him such money as he needed. Most gratefully the generous offer was accepted.

There is in many minds a strange delusion about a collegiate education. A young man is supposed to be liberally educated if he has graduated at some college. But many a boy who loiters through university halls and then enters a law office is by no means as well prepared to prosecute his legal studies as was Millard Fillmore when he graduated at the clothing-mill at the end of four years of manual labor, during which every leisure moment had been devoted to intense mental culture.

In 1823, when twenty-three years of age, he was admitted to the Court of Common Pleas. He then went to the village of Aurora, and commenced the practice of law. In this secluded, quiet region, his practice, of course, was limited, and there was no opportunity for a sudden rise in fortune or in fame. Here, in 1826, he married a lady of great moral worth, and one capable of

adorning any station she might be called to fill,—Miss Abigail Powers.

His elevation of character, his untiring industry, his legal acquirements, and his skill as an advocate, gradually attracted attention, and he was invited to enter into partnership, under highly advantageous circumstances, with an elder member of the Bar in Buffalo. Just before removing to Buffalo, in 1829, he took his seat in the House of Assembly of the State of New York, as a Representative from Erie County. Though he had never taken a very active part in politics, his vote and sympathies were with the Whig party. The State was then Democratic, and he found himself in a helpless minority in the Legislature; still the testimony comes from all parties that his courtesy, ability and integrity won, to a very unusual degree, the respect of his associates.

In the autumn of 1832, he was elected to a seat in the United States Congress. He entered that troubled arena in the most tumultuous hours of our national history, when the great conflict respecting the national bank and the removal of the deposits was raging.

His term of two years closed, and he returned to his profession, which he pursued with increasing reputation and success. After a lapse of two years he again became a candidate for Congress; was re-elected, and took his seat in 1837. His past experience as a Representative gave him strength and confidence. The first term of service in Congress to any man can be but little more than an introduction. He was now prepared for active duty. All his energies were brought to bear upon the public good. Every measure received his impress.

Mr. Fillmore was now a man of wide repute, and his popularity filled the State. In the year 1847, when he had attained the age of forty-seven years, he was elected Comptroller of the State. His labors at the Bar, in the Legislature, in Congress and as Comptroller, had given him very considerable fame. The Whigs were casting about to find suitable candidates for President and Vice-President at the approaching election. Far away on the waters of the Rio Grande, there was a rough old soldier, who had fought one or two successful battles with the Mexicans, which had caused his name to be proclaimed in trumpet-tones all over the land as a candidate for the presidency. But it was necessary to associate with him on the same ticket some man of reputation as a statesman.

Under the influence of these considerations, the names of Zachary Taylor and Millard Fillmore became the rallying-cry of the Whigs, as their candidates for President and Vice-President. The Whig ticket was signally triumphant. On the 4th of March, 1849, Gen. Taylor was inaugurated President, and Millard Fillmore Vice-President, of the United States.

On the 9th of July, 1850, President Taylor, about one year and four months after his inauguration, was suddenly taken sick and died. By the Constitution, Vice-President Fillmore thus became President. He appointed a very able cabinet, of which the illustrious Daniel Webster was Secretary of State; nevertheless, he had serious difficulties to contend with, since the opposition had a majority in both Houses. He did all in his power to conciliate the South; but the pro-slavery party in the South felt the inadequacy of all measures of transient couciliation. The population of the free States was so rapidly increasing over that of the slave States, that it was inevitable that the power of the Government should soon pass into the hands of the free States. The famous compromise measures were adopted under Mr. Fillmore's administration, and the Japan expedition was sent out. On the 4th of March, 1853, he, having served one term, retired.

In 1856, Mr. Fillmore was nominated for the Presidency by the "Know-Nothing" party, but was beaten by Mr. Buchanan. After that Mr. Fillmore lived in retirement. During the terrible conflict of civil war, he was mostly silent. It was generally supposed that his sympathies were rather with those who were endeavoring to overthrow our institutions. President Fillmore kept aloof from the conflict, without any cordial words of cheer to one party or the other. He was thus forgotten by both. He lived to a ripe old age, and died in Buffalo, N. Y., March 8, 1874.

Franklin Pierce

FRANKLIN PIERCE.

FRANKLIN PIERCE, the fourteenth President of the United States, was born in Hillsborough, N. H., November 23, 1804. His father was a Revolutionary soldier, who with his own strong arm hewed out a home in the wilderness. He was a man of inflexible integrity, of strong, though uncultivated, mind, and was an uncompromising Democrat. The mother of Franklin Pierce was all that a son could desire—an intelligent, prudent, affectionate, Christian woman.

Franklin, who was the sixth of eight children, was a remarkably bright and handsome boy, generous, warm-hearted and brave. He won alike the love of old and young. The boys on the play-ground loved him. His teachers loved him. The neighbors looked upon him with pride and affection. He was by instinct a gentleman, always speaking kind words, and doing kind deeds, with a peculiar, unstudied tact which taught him what was agreeable. Without developing any precocity of genius, or any unnatural devotion to books, he was a good scholar, and in body and mind a finely developed boy.

When sixteen years of age, in the year 1820, he entered Bowdoin College, at Brunswick, Me. He was one of the most popular young men in the college. The purity of his moral character, the unvarying courtesy of his demeanor, his rank as a scholar, and genial nature, rendered him a universal favorite. There was something peculiarly winning in his address, and it was evidently not in the slightest degree studied—it was the simple outgushing of his own magnanimous and loving nature.

Upon graduating, in the year 1824, Franklin Pierce commenced the study of law in the office of Judge Woodbury, one of the most distinguished lawyers of the State, and a man of great private worth. The eminent social qualities of the young lawyer, his father's prominence as a public man, and the brilliant political career into which Judge Woodbury was entering, all tended to entice Mr. Pierce into the fascinating yet perilous path of political life. With all the ardor of his nature he espoused the cause of Gen. Jackson for the Presidency. He commenced the practice of law in Hillsborough, and was soon elected to represent the town in the State Legislature. Here he served for four years. The last two years he was chosen Speaker of the House by a very large vote.

In 1833, at the age of twenty-nine, he was elected a member of Congress. In 1837, being then but thirty-three years old, he was elected to the Senate, taking his seat just as Mr. Van Buren commenced his administration. He was the youngest member in the Senate. In the year 1834, he married Miss Jane Means Appleton, a lady of rare beauty and accomplishments, and one admirably fitted to adorn every station with which her husband was honored. Of the three sons who were born to them, all now sleep with their parents in the grave.

In the year 1838, Mr. Pierce, with growing fame and increasing business as a lawyer, took up his residence in Concord, the capital of New Hampshire. President Polk, upon his accession to office, appointed Mr. Pierce Attorney-General of the United States; but the offer was declined in consequence of numerous professional engagements at home, and the precarious state of Mrs. Pierce's health. He also, about the same time, declined the nomination for Governor by the Democratic party. The war with Mexico called

Mr. Pierce into the army. Receiving the appointment of Brigadier-General, he embarked with a portion of his troops at Newport, R. I., on the 27th of May, 1847. He took an important part in this war, proving himself a brave and true soldier.

When Gen. Pierce reached his home in his native State, he was received enthusiastically by the advocates of the Mexican War, and coldly by his opponents. He resumed the practice of his profession, very frequently taking an active part in political questions, giving his cordial support to the pro-slavery wing of the Democratic party. The compromise measures met cordially with his approval, and he strenuously advocated the enforcement of the infamous Fugitive Slave Law, which so shocked the religious sensibilities of the North. He thus became distinguished as a "Northern man with Southern principles." The strong partisans of slavery in the South consequently regarded him as a man whom they could safely trust in office to carry out their plans.

On the 12th of June, 1852, the Democratic convention met in Baltimore to nominate a candidate for the Presidency. For four days they continued in session, and in thirty-five ballotings no one had obtained a two-thirds vote. Not a vote thus far had been thrown for Gen. Pierce. Then the Virginia delegation brought forward his name. There were fourteen more ballotings, during which Gen. Pierce constantly gained strength, until, at the forty-ninth ballot, he received two hundred and eighty-two votes, and all other candidates eleven. Gen. Winfield Scott was the Whig candidate. Gen. Pierce was chosen with great unanimity. Only four States—Vermont, Massachusetts, Kentucky and Tennessee—cast their electoral votes against him. Gen. Franklin Pierce was therefore inaugurated President of the United States on the 4th of March, 1853.

His administration proved one of the most stormy our country had ever experienced. The controversy between slavery and freedom was then approaching its culminating point. It became evident that there was to be an irrepressible conflict between them, and that this nation could not long exist "half slave and half free." President Pierce, during the whole of his administration, did everything he could to conciliate the South; but it was all in vain. The conflict every year grew more violent, and threats of the dissolution of the Union were borne to the North on every Southern breeze.

Such was the condition of affairs when President Pierce approached the close of his four-years term of office. The North had become thoroughly alienated from him. The anti-slavery sentiment, goaded by great outrages, had been rapidly increasing; all the intellectual ability and social worth of President Pierce were forgotten in deep reprehension of his administrative acts. The slaveholders of the South also, unmindful of the fidelity with which he had advocated those measures of Government which they approved, and perhaps feeling that he had rendered himself so unpopular as no longer to be able to acceptably serve them, ungratefully dropped him, and nominated James Buchanan to succeed him.

On the 4th of March, 1857, President Pierce returned to his home in Concord. His three children were all dead, his last surviving child having been killed before his eyes in a railroad accident; and his wife, one of the most estimable and accomplished of ladies, was rapidly sinking in consumption. The hour of dreadful gloom soon came, and he was left alone in the world without wife or child.

When the terrible Rebellion burst forth which divided our country into two parties, and two only, Mr. Pierce remained steadfast in the principles which he had always cherished, and gave his sympathies to that pro-slavery party with which he had ever been allied. He declined to do anything, either by voice or pen, to strengthen the hand of the National Government. He continued to reside in Concord until the time of his death, which occurred in October, 1869. He was one of the most genial and social of men, an honored communicant of the Episcopal Church, and one of the kindest of neighbors. Generous to a fault, he contributed liberally toward the alleviation of suffering and want, and many of his towns-people were often gladdened by his material bounty.

James Buchanan

JAMES BUCHANAN.

JAMES BUCHANAN, the fifteenth President of the United States, was born in a small frontier town, at the foot of the eastern ridge of the Alleghanies, in Franklin County, Pa., on the 23d of April, 1791. The place where the humble cabin home stood was called Stony Batter. His father was a native of the north of Ireland, who had emigrated in 1783, with little property save his own strong arms. Five years afterward he married Elizabeth Spear, the daughter of a respectable farmer, and, with his young bride, plunged into the wilderness, staked his claim, reared his log hut, opened a clearing with his axe, and settled down there to perform his obscure part in the drama of life. When James was eight years of age, his father removed to the village of Mercersburg, where his son was placed at school, and commenced a course of study in English, Latin and Greek. His progress was rapid, and at the age of fourteen he entered Dickinson College, at Carlisle. Here he developed remarkable talent, and took his stand among the first scholars in the institution.

In the year 1809, he graduated with the highest honors of his class. He was then eighteen years of age; tall and graceful, vigorous in health, fond of athletic sports, an unerring shot, and enlivened with an exuberant flow of animal spirits. He immediately commenced the study of law in the city of Lancaster, and was admitted to the Bar in 1812, when he was but twenty-one years of age.

In 1820, he reluctantly consented to run as a candidate for Congress. He was elected, and for ten years he remained a member of the Lower House. During the vacations of Congress, he occasionally tried some important case. In 1831 he retired altogether from the toils of his profession, having acquired an ample fortune.

Gen. Jackson, upon his elevation to the Presidency, appointed Mr. Buchanan Minister to Russia. The duties of his mission he performed with ability, and gave satisfaction to all parties. Upon his return, in 1833, he was elected to a seat in the United States Senate. He there met as his associates Webster, Clay, Wright and Calhoun. He advocated the measures proposed by President Jackson, of making reprisals against France to enforce the payment of our claims against that country, and defended the course of the President in his unprecedented and wholesale removal from office of those who were not the supporters of his administration. Upon this question he was brought into direct collision with Henry Clay. He also, with voice and vote, advocated expunging from the journal of the Senate the vote of censure against Gen. Jackson for removing the deposits. Earnestly he opposed the abolition of slavery in the District of Columbia, and urged the prohibition of the circulation of anti-slavery documents by the United States mails. As to petitions on the subject of slavery, he advocated that they should be respectfully received, and that the reply should be returned that Congress had no power to legislate upon the subject. "Congress," said he, "might as well undertake to interfere with slavery under a foreign government as in any of the States where it now exists."

Upon Mr. Polk's accession to the Presidency, Mr. Buchanan became Secretary of State, and as such took his share of the responsibility in the

conduct of the Mexican War. Mr. Polk assumed that crossing the Nueces by the American troops into the disputed territory was not wrong, but for the Mexicans to cross the Rio Grande into Texas was a declaration of war. No candid man can read with pleasure the account of the course our Government pursued in that movement.

Mr. Buchanan identified himself thoroughly with the party devoted to the perpetuation and extension of slavery, and brought all the energies of his mind to bear against the Wilmot Proviso. He gave his cordial approval to the compromise measures of 1850, which included the Fugitive Slave Law. Mr. Pierce, upon his election to the Presidency, honored Mr. Buchanan with the mission to England.

In the year 1856, a national Democratic Convention nominated Mr. Buchanan for the Presidency. The political conflict was one of the most severe in which our country has ever engaged. All the friends of slavery were on one side; all the advocates of its restriction and final abolition on the other. Mr. Fremont, the candidate of the enemies of slavery, received one hundred and fourteen electoral votes. Mr. Buchanan received one hundred and seventy-four, and was elected. The popular vote stood 1,340,618 for Fremont, 1,224,750 for Buchanan. On March 4, 1857, the latter was inaugurated.

Mr. Buchanan was far advanced in life. Only four years were wanting to fill up his three-score years and ten. His own friends, those with whom he had been allied in political principles and action for years, were seeking the destruction of the Government, that they might rear upon the ruins of our free institutions a nation whose corner-stone should be human slavery. In this emergency, Mr. Buchanan was hopelessly bewildered. He could not, with his long-avowed principles, consistently oppose the State Rights party in their assumptions. As President of the United States, bound by his oath faithfully to administer the laws, he could not, without perjury of the grossest kind, unite with those endeavoring to overthrow the Republic. He therefore did nothing.

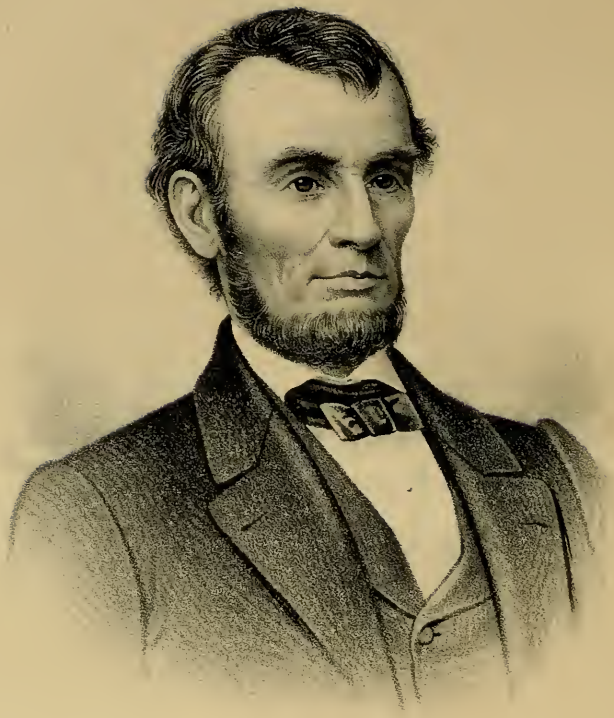
The opponents of Mr. Buchanan's administration nominated Abraham Lincoln as their standard-bearer in the next Presidential canvass. The pro-slavery party declared that if he were elected and the control of the Government were thus taken from their hands, they would secede from the Union, taking with them as they retired the National Capitol at Washington and the lion's share of the territory of the United States.

As the storm increased in violence, the slaveholders claiming the right to secede, and Mr. Buchanan avowing that Congress had no power to prevent it, one of the most pitiable exhibitions of governmental imbecility was exhibited that the world has ever seen. He declared that Congress had no power to enforce its laws in any State which had withdrawn, or which was attempting to withdraw, from the Union. This was not the doctrine of Andrew Jackson, when, with his hand upon his sword-hilt, he exclaimed: "The Union must and shall be preserved!"

South Carolina seceded in December, 1860, nearly three months before the inauguration of President Lincoln. Mr. Buchanan looked on in listless despair. The rebel flag was raised in Charleston; Ft. Sumter was besieged; our forts, navy-yards and arsenals were seized; our depots of military stores were plundered, and our custom-houses and post-offices were appropriated by the rebels.

The energy of the rebels and the imbecility of our Executive were alike marvelous. The nation looked on in agony, waiting for the slow weeks to glide away and close the administration, so terrible in its weakness. At length the long-looked-for hour of deliverance came, when Abraham Lincoln was to receive the scepter.

The administration of President Buchanan was certainly the most calamitous our country has experienced. His best friends can not recall it with pleasure. And still more deplorable it is for his fame, that in that dreadful conflict which rolled its billows of flame and blood over our whole land, no word came from his lips to indicate his wish that our country's banner should triumph over the flag of the Rebellion. He died at his Wheatland retreat, June 1, 1868.



Yours forever, as ever
A. Lincoln

ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN, the sixteenth President of the United States, was born in Hardin County, Ky., February 12, 1809. About the year 1780, a man by the name of Abraham Lincoln left Virginia with his family and moved into the then wilds of Kentucky. Only two years after this emigration, and while still a young man, he was working one day in a field, when an Indian stealthily approached and killed him. His widow was left in extreme poverty with five little children, three boys and two girls. Thomas, the youngest of the boys, and the father of President Abraham Lincoln, was four years of age at his father's death.

When twenty-eight years old, Thomas Lincoln built a log cabin, and married Nancy Hanks, the daughter of another family of poor Kentucky emigrants, who had also come from Virginia. Their second child was Abraham Lincoln, the subject of this sketch. The mother of Abraham was a noble woman, gentle, loving, pensive, created to adorn a palace, but doomed to toil and pine, and die in a hovel. "All that I am, or hope to be," exclaimed the grateful son, "I owe to my angel-mother." When he was eight years of age, his father sold his cabin and small farm and moved to Indiana, where two years later his mother died.

As the years rolled on, the lot of this lowly family was the usual lot of humanity. There were joys and griefs, weddings and funerals. Abraham's sister Sarah, to whom he was tenderly attached, was married when a child of but fourteen years of age, and soon died. The family was gradually scattered, and Thomas Lincoln sold out his squatter's claim in 1830, and emigrated to Macon County, Ill.

Abraham Lincoln was then twenty-one years of age. With vigorous hands he aided his father in rearing another log cabin, and worked quite diligently at this until he saw the family comfortably settled, and their small lot of enclosed prairie planted with corn, when he announced to his father his intention to leave home, and to go out into the world and seek his fortune. Little did he or his friends imagine how brilliant that fortune was to be. He saw the value of education and was intensely earnest to improve his mind to the utmost of his power. Religion he revered. His morals were pure, and he was uncontaminated by a single vice.

Young Abraham worked for a time as a hired laborer among the farmers. Then he went to Springfield, where he was employed in building a large flat-boat. In this he took a herd of swine, floated them down the Sangamon to Illinois, and thence by the Mississippi to New Orleans. Whatever Abraham Lincoln undertook, he performed so faithfully as to give great satisfaction to his employers. In this adventure the latter were so well pleased, that upon his return they placed a store and mill under his care.

In 1832, at the outbreak of the Black Hawk War, he enlisted and was chosen Captain of a company. He returned to Sangamon County, and, although only twenty-three years of age, was a candidate for the Legislature, but was defeated. He soon after received from Andrew Jackson the appointment of Postmaster of New Salem. His only post-office was his hat. All the letters he received he carried there, ready to deliver to those he chanced to meet. He studied surveying, and soon made this his business. In 1834 he again became a candidate for the Legislature and was elected. Mr. Stuart, of Springfield, advised him to study law. He walked from New Salem to Springfield, borrowed of Mr. Stuart a load of books, carried them back, and began his legal studies. When the Legislature assembled, he trudged on foot with his pack on his back one hundred miles to Vandalia, then the capital. In 1836 he was re-elected to the Legislature. Here it was he first met Stephen A. Douglas. In 1839 he removed to Springfield and began the practice of law. His success with the jury was so great

that he was soon engaged in almost every noted case in the circuit.

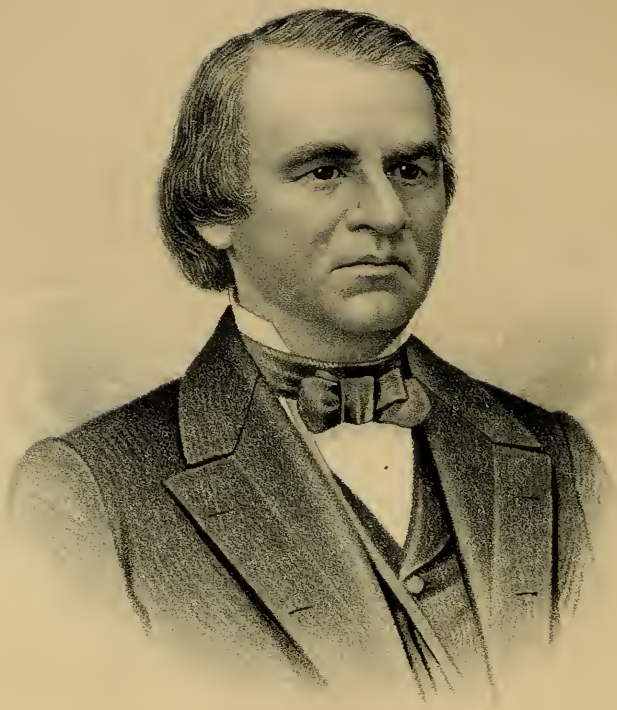
In 1854 the great discussion began between Mr. Lincoln and Mr. Douglas on the slavery question. In the organization of the Republican party in Illinois, in 1856, he took an active part, and at once became one of the leaders in that party. Mr. Lincoln's speeches in opposition to Senator Douglas in the contest in 1858 for a seat in the Senate, form a most notable part of his history. The issue was on the slavery question, and he took the broad ground of the Declaration of Independence, that all men are created equal. Mr. Lincoln was defeated in this contest, but won a far higher prize.

The great Republican Convention met at Chicago on the 16th of June, 1860. The delegates and strangers who crowded the city amounted to twenty-five thousand. An immense building called "The Wigwam," was reared to accommodate the convention. There were eleven candidates for whom votes were thrown. William H. Seward, a man whose fame as a statesman had long filled the land, was the most prominent. It was generally supposed he would be the nominee. Abraham Lincoln, however, received the nomination on the third ballot.

Election day came, and Mr. Lincoln received one hundred and eighty electoral votes out of two hundred and three cast, and was, therefore, constitutionally elected President of the United States. The tirade of abuse that was poured upon this good and merciful man, especially by the slaveholders, was greater than upon any other man ever elected to this high position. In February, 1861, Mr. Lincoln started for Washington, stopping in all the large cities on his way, making speeches. The whole journey was fraught with much danger. Many of the Southern States had already seceded, and several attempts at assassination were afterward brought to light. A gang in Baltimore had arranged upon his arrival to "get up a row," and in the confusion to make sure of his death with revolvers and hand-grenades. A detective unravelled the plot. A secret and special train was provided to take him from Harrisburg, through Baltimore, at an unexpected hour of the night. The train started at half-past ten, and to prevent any possible communication on the part of the Secessionists with their Confederate gang in Baltimore, as soon as the train had started the telegraph-wires were cut. Mr. Lincoln reached Washington in safety and was inaugurated, although great anxiety was felt by all loyal people.

In the selection of his cabinet Mr. Lincoln gave to Mr. Seward the Department of State, and to other prominent opponents before the convention he gave important positions; but during no other administration had the duties devolving upon the President been so manifold, and the responsibilities so great, as those which fell to his lot. Knowing this, and feeling his own weakness and inability to meet, and in his own strength to cope with, the difficulties, he learned early to seek Divine wisdom and guidance in determining his plans, and Divine comfort in all his trials, both personal and national. Contrary to his own estimate of himself, Mr. Lincoln was one of the most courageous of men. He went directly into the rebel capital just as the retreating foe was leaving, with no guard but a few sailors. From the time he had left Springfield, in 1861, however, plans had been made for his assassination, and he at last fell a victim to one of them. April 14, 1865, he, with Gen. Grant, was urgently invited to attend Ford's Theatre. It was announced that they would be present. Gen. Grant, however, left the city. President Lincoln, feeling, with his characteristic kindliness of heart, that it would be a disappointment if he should fail them, very reluctantly consented to go. While listening to the play, an actor by the name of John Wilkes Booth entered the box where the President and family were seated, and fired a bullet into his brain. He died the next morning at seven o'clock.

Never before in the history of the world was a nation plunged into such deep grief by the death of its ruler Strong men met in the streets and wept in speechless anguish. His was a life which will fitly become a model. His name as the Savior of his country will live with that of Washington's, its Father.



Andrew Johnson

ANDREW JOHNSON.

ANDREW JOHNSON, seventeenth President of the United States. The early life of Andrew Johnson contains but the record of poverty, destitution and friendlessness. He was born December 29, 1808, in Raleigh, N. C. His parents, belonging to the class of "poor whites" of the South, were in such circumstances that they could not confer even the slightest advantages of education upon their child. When Andrew was five years of age, his father accidentally lost his life, while heroically endeavoring to save a friend from drowning. Until ten years of age, Andrew was a ragged boy about the streets, supported by the labor of his mother, who obtained her living with her own hands.

He then, having never attended a school one day, and being unable either to read or write, was apprenticed to a tailor in his native town. A gentleman was in the habit of going to the tailor's shop occasionally, and reading to the boys at work there. He often read from the speeches of distinguished British statesmen. Andrew, who was endowed with a mind of more than ordinary ability, became much interested in these speeches; his ambition was roused, and he was inspired with a strong desire to learn to read.

He accordingly applied himself to the alphabet, and with the assistance of some of his fellow-workmen learned his letters. He then called upon the gentleman to borrow the book of speeches. The owner, pleased with his zeal, not only gave him the book, but assisted him in learning to combine the letters into words. Under such difficulties he pressed onward laboriously, spending usually ten or twelve hours at work in the shop, and then robbing himself of rest and recreation to devote such time as he could to reading.

He went to Tennessee in 1826, and located at Greenville, where he married a young lady who possessed some education. Under her instructions he learned to write and cipher. He became prominent in the village debating society, and a favorite with the students of Greenville College. In 1828, he organized a working man's party, which elected him Alderman, and in 1830 elected him Mayor, which position he held three years.

He now began to take a lively interest in political affairs, identifying himself with the working-class, to which he belonged. In 1835, he was elected a member of the House of Representatives of Tennessee. He was then just twenty-seven years of age. He became a very active member of the Legislature, gave his support to the Democratic party, and in 1840 "stumped the State," advocating Martin Van Buren's claims to the Presidency, in opposition to those of Gen. Harrison. In this campaign he acquired much readiness as a speaker, and extended and increased his reputation.

In 1841, he was elected State Senator; in 1843, he was elected a Member of Congress, and by successive elections held that important post for ten years. In 1853, he was elected Governor of Tennessee, and was re-elected in 1855. In all these responsible positions, he discharged his duties with distinguished ability, and proved himself the warm friend of the working classes. In 1857, Mr. Johnson was elected United States Senator.

Years before, in 1845, he had warmly advocated the annexation of Texas, stating, however, as his reason, that he thought this annexation would probably prove "to be the gateway out of which the sable sons of Africa are to pass from bondage to freedom, and become merged in a population congenial to themselves." In 1850, he also supported the compromise measures, the two essen-

tial features of which were, that the white people of the Territories should be permitted to decide for themselves whether they would enslave the colored people or not, and that the free States of the North should return to the South persons who attempted to escape from slavery.

Mr. Johnson was never ashamed of his lowly origin: on the contrary, he often took pride in avowing that he owed his distinction to his own exertions. "Sir," said he on the floor of the Senate, "I do not forget that I am a mechanic; neither do I forget that Adam was a tailor and sewed fig-leaves, and that our Savior was the son of a carpenter."

In the Charleston-Baltimore convention of 1860, he was the choice of the Tennessee Democrats for the Presidency. In 1861, when the purpose of the Southern Democracy became apparent, he took a decided stand in favor of the Union, and held that "slavery must be held subordinate to the Union at whatever cost." He returned to Tennessee, and repeatedly imperiled his own life to protect the Unionists of that State. Tennessee having seceded from the Union, President Lincoln, on March 4, 1862, appointed him Military Governor of the State, and he established the most stringent military rule. His numerous proclamations attracted wide attention. In 1864, he was elected Vice-President of the United States, and upon the death of Mr. Lincoln, April 15, 1865, became President. In a speech two days later he said, "The American people must be taught, if they do not already feel, that treason is a crime and must be punished; that the Government will not always bear with its enemies; that it is strong not only to protect, but to punish. * * The people must understand that it (treason) is the blackest of crimes, and will surely be punished." Yet his whole administration, the history of which is so well known, was in utter inconsistency with, and in the most violent opposition to, the principles laid down in that speech.

In his loose policy of reconstruction and general amnesty, he was opposed by Congress, and he characterized Congress as a new rebellion, and lawlessly defied it in everything possible to the utmost. In the beginning of 1868, on account of "High crimes and misdemeanors," the principal of which was the removal of Secretary Stanton in violation of the Tenure of Office Act, articles of impeachment were preferred against him, and the trial began March 23.

It was very tedious, continuing for nearly three months. A test article of the impeachment was at length submitted to the court for its action. It was certain that as the court voted upon that article so would it vote upon all. Thirty-four voices pronounced the President guilty. As a two-thirds vote was necessary to his condemnation, he was pronounced acquitted, notwithstanding the great majority against him. The change of one vote from the *not guilty* side would have sustained the impeachment.

The President, for the remainder of his term, was but little regarded. He continued, though impotently, his conflict with Congress. His own party did not think it expedient to renominate him for the Presidency. The Nation rallied with enthusiasm, unparalleled since the days of Washington, around the name of Gen. Grant. Andrew Johnson was forgotten. The bullet of the assassin introduced him to the President's chair. Notwithstanding this, never was there presented to a man a better opportunity to immortalize his name, and to win the gratitude of a nation. He failed utterly. He retired to his home in Greenville, Tenn., taking no very active part in politics until 1875. On January 26, after an exciting struggle, he was chosen by the Legislature of Tennessee United States Senator in the Forty-fourth Congess, and took his seat in that body, at the special session convened by President Grant, on the 5th of March. On the 27th of July, 1875, the ex-President made a visit to his daughter's home, near Carter Station, Tenn. When he started on his journey, he was apparently in his usual vigorous health, but on reaching the residence of his child the following day, he was stricken with paralysis, which rendered him unconscious. He rallied occasionally, but finally passed away at 2 A. M., July 31, aged sixty-seven years. His funeral was held at Greenville, on the 3d of August, with every demonstration of respect.

U. S. Grant

ULYSSES S. GRANT.

ULYSSES S. GRANT, the eighteenth President of the United States, was born on the 29th of April, 1822, of Christian parents, in a humble home at Point Pleasant, on the banks of the Ohio. Shortly after, his father moved to Georgetown, Brown County, Ohio. In this remote frontier hamlet, Ulysses received a common-school education. At the age of seventeen, in the year 1839, he entered the Military Academy at West Point. Here he was regarded as a solid, sensible young man, of fair ability, and of sturdy, honest character. He took respectable rank as a scholar. In June, 1843, he graduated about the middle in his class, and was sent as Lieutenant of Infantry to one of the distant military posts in the Missouri Territory. Two years he passed in these dreary solitudes, watching the vagabond Indians.

The war with Mexico came. Lieut. Grant was sent with his regiment to Corpus Christi. His first battle was at Palo Alto. There was no chance here for the exhibition of either skill or heroism, nor at Resaca de la Palma, his second battle. At the battle of Monterey, his third engagement, it is said that he performed a signal service of daring and skillful horsemanship.

At the close of the Mexican War, Capt. Grant returned with his regiment to New York, and was again sent to one of the military posts on the frontier. The discovery of gold in California causing an immense tide of emigration to flow to the Pacific shores, Capt. Grant was sent with a battalion to Ft. Dallas, in Oregon, for the protection of the interests of the immigrants. But life was wearisome in those wilds, and he resigned his commission and returned to the States. Having married, he entered upon the cultivation of a small farm near St. Louis, Mo., but having little skill as a farmer, and finding his toil not remunerative, he turned to mercantile life, entering into the leather business, with a younger brother at Galena, Ill. This was in the year 1860. As the tidings of the rebels firing on Ft. Sumter reached the ears of Capt. Grant in his counting-room, he said: "Uncle Sam has educated me for the army; though I have served him through one war, I do not feel that I have yet repaid the debt. I am still ready to discharge my obligations. I shall therefore buckle on my sword and see Uncle Sam through this war too."

He went into the streets, raised a company of volunteers, and led them as their Captain to Springfield, the capital of the State, where their services were offered to Gov. Yates. The Governor, impressed by the zeal and straightforward executive ability of Capt. Grant, gave him a desk in his office to assist in the volunteer organization that was being formed in the State in behalf of the Government. On the 15th of June, 1861, Capt. Grant received a commission as Colonel of the Twenty-first Regiment of Illinois Volunteers. His merits as a West Point graduate, who had served for fifteen years in the regular army, were such that he was soon promoted to the rank of Brigadier-General, and was placed in command at Cairo. The rebels raised their banner at Paducah, near the mouth of the Tennessee River. Scarcely had its folds appeared in the breeze ere Gen. Grant was there. The rebels fled, their banner fell, and the Stars and Stripes were unfurled in its stead.

He entered the service with great determination and immediately began active duty. This was the beginning, and until the surrender of Lee at Richmond he was ever pushing the enemy

with great vigor and effectiveness. At Belmont, a few days later, he surprised and routed the rebels, then at Ft. Henry won another victory. Then came the brilliant fight at Ft. Donelson. The nation was electrified by the victory, and the brave leader of the boys in blue was immediately made a Major-General, and the military district of Tennessee was assigned to him.

Like all great captains, Gen. Grant knew well how to secure the results of victory. He immediately pushed on to the enemies' lines. Then came the terrible battles of Pittsburg Landing, Corinth, and the siege of Vicksburg, where Gen. Pemberton made an unconditional surrender of the city with over thirty thousand men and one hundred and seventy-two cannon. The fall of Vicksburg was by far the most severe blow which the rebels had thus far encountered, and opened up the Mississippi from Cairo to the Gulf.

Gen. Grant was next ordered to co-operate with Gen. Banks in a movement upon Texas, and proceeded to New Orleans, where he was thrown from his horse, and received severe injuries, from which he was laid up for months. He then rushed to the aid of Gens. Rosecrans and Thomas at Chattanooga, and by a wonderful series of strategic and technical measures put the Union army in fighting condition. Then followed the bloody battles at Chattanooga, Lookout Mountain and Missionary Ridge, in which the rebels were routed with great loss. This won for him unbounded praise in the North. On the 4th of February, 1864, Congress revived the grade of lieutenant-general, and the rank was conferred on Gen. Grant. He repaired to Washington to receive his credentials and enter upon the duties of his new office.

Gen. Grant decided as soon as he took charge of the army to concentrate the widely-dispersed National troops for an attack upon Richmond, the nominal capital of the rebellion, and endeavor there to destroy the rebel armies which would be promptly assembled from all quarters for its defense. The whole continent seemed to tremble under the tramp of these majestic armies, rushing to the decisive battle-field. Steamers were crowded with troops. Railway trains were burdened with closely-packed thousands. His plans were comprehensive, and involved a series of campaigns, which were executed with remarkable energy and ability, and were consummated at the surrender of Lee, April 9, 1865.

The war was ended. The Union was saved. The almost unanimous voice of the nation declared Gen. Grant to be the most prominent instrument in its salvation. The eminent services he had thus rendered the country brought him conspicuously forward as the Republican candidate for the Presidential chair.

At the Republican Convention held at Chicago, May 21, 1868, he was unanimously nominated for the Presidency, and at the autumn election received a majority of the popular vote, and two hundred and fourteen out of two hundred and ninety-four electoral votes.

The National Convention of the Republican party, which met at Philadelphia on the 5th of June, 1872, placed Gen. Grant in nomination for a second term by a unanimous vote. The selection was emphatically indorsed by the people five months later, two hundred and ninety-two electoral votes being cast for him.

Soon after the close of his second term, Gen. Grant started upon his famous trip around the world. He visited almost every country of the civilized world, and was everywhere received with such ovations and demonstrations of respect and honor, private as well as public and official, as were never before bestowed upon any citizen of the United States.

He was the most prominent candidate before the Republican National Convention in 1880 for a renomination for President. He went to New York and embarked in the brokerage business under the firm name of Grant & Ward. The latter proved a villain, wrecked Grant's fortune, and for larceny was sent to the penitentiary. The General was attacked with cancer in the throat, but suffered in his stoic-like manner, never complaining. He was re-instated as General of the Army, and retired by Congress. The cancer soon finished its deadly work, and July 23, 1885, the nation went in mourning over the death of the illustrious General.

Sincerely
R. B. Hayes

RUTHERFORD B. HAYES.

RUTHERFORD B. HAYES, the nineteenth President of the United States, was born in Delaware, Ohio, October 4, 1822, almost three months after the death of his father, Rutherford Hayes. His ancestry on both the paternal and maternal sides was of the most honorable character. It can be traced, it is said, as far back as 1280, when Hayes and Rutherford were two Scottish chieftains, fighting side by side with Baliol, William Wallace and Robert Bruce. Both families belonged to the nobility, owned extensive estates, and had a large following. Misfortune overtaking the family, George Hayes left Scotland in 1680, and settled in Windsor, Conn. His son George was born in Windsor, and remained there during his life. Daniel Hayes, son of the latter, married Sarah Lee, and lived from the time of his marriage until his death in Simsbury, Conn. Ezekiel, son of Daniel, was born in 1724, and was a manufacturer of scythes at Bradford, Conn. Rutherford Hayes, son of Ezekiel and grandfather of President Hayes, was born in New Haven, in August, 1756. He was a farmer, blacksmith and tavern-keeper. He emigrated to Vermont at an unknown date, settling in Brattleboro, where he established a hotel. Here his son, Rutherford Hayes, the father of President Hayes, was born. He was married, in September, 1813, to Sophia Birchard, of Wilmington, Vt., whose ancestors emigrated thither from Connecticut, they having been among the wealthiest and best families of Norwich. Her ancestry on the male side is traced back to 1635, to John Birchard, one of the principal founders of Norwich. Both of her grandfathers were soldiers in the Revolutionary War.

The father of President Hayes was an industrious, frugal, yet open-hearted man. He was of a mechanical turn of mind, and could mend a plow, knit a stocking, or do almost anything else that he chose to undertake. He was a member of the church, active in all the benevolent enterprises of the town, and conducted his business on Christian principles. After the close of the War of 1812, for reasons inexplicable to his neighbors, he resolved to emigrate to Ohio.

The journey from Vermont to Ohio in that day, when there were no canals, steamers, or railways, was a very serious affair. A tour of inspection was first made, occupying four months. Mr. Hayes decided to move to Delaware, where the family arrived in 1817. He died July 22, 1822, a victim of malarial fever, less than three months before the birth of the son of whom we write. Mrs. Hayes, in her sore bereavement, found the support she so much needed in her brother Sardis, who had been a member of the household from the day of its departure from Vermont, and in an orphan girl, whom she had adopted some time before as an act of charity.

Rutherford was seven years old before he went to school. His education, however, was not neglected. He probably learned as much from his mother and sister as he would have done at school. His sports were almost wholly within doors, his playmates being his sister and her associates. These circumstances tended, no doubt, to foster that gentleness of disposition and that delicate consideration for the feelings of others which were marked traits of his character.

His uncle, Sardis Birchard, took the deepest interest in his education; and as the boy's health had improved, and he was making good progress in his studies, he proposed to send him to college. His preparation commenced with a tutor at home;

but he was afterwards sent for one year to a professor in the Wesleyan University in Middletown, Conn. He entered Kenyon College in 1838, at the age of sixteen, and was graduated at the head of his class in 1842.

Immediately after his graduation he began the study of law in the office of Thomas Sparrow, Esq., in Columbus. Finding his opportunities for study in Columbus somewhat limited, he determined to enter the Law School at Cambridge, Mass., where he remained two years.

In 1845, after graduating at the Law School, he was admitted to the Bar at Marietta, Ohio, and shortly afterward went into practice as an attorney-at-law with Ralph P. Buckland, of Fremont. Here he remained three years, acquiring but a limited practice, and apparently unambitious of distinction in his profession.

In 1849 he moved to Cincinnati, where his ambition found a new stimulus. For several years, however, his progress was slow. Two events occurring at this period had a powerful influence upon his subsequent life. One of these was his marriage with Miss Lucy Ware Webb, daughter of Dr. James Webb, of Chillicothe; the other was his introduction to the Cincinnati Literary Club, a body embracing among its members such men as Chief Justice Salmon P. Chase, Gen. John Pope, Gov. Edward F. Noyes, and many others hardly less distinguished in after life. The marriage was a fortunate one in every respect, as everybody knows. Not one of all the wives of our Presidents was more universally admired, reverenced and beloved than was Mrs. Hayes, and no one did more than she to reflect honor upon American womanhood. The Literary Club brought Mr. Hayes into constant association with young men of high character and noble aims, and lured him to display the qualities so long hidden by his bashfulness and modesty.

In 1856 he was nominated to the office of Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, but he declined to accept the nomination. Two years later, the office of City Solicitor becoming vacant, the City Council elected him for the unexpired term.

In 1861, when the Rebellion broke out, he was at the zenith of his professional life. His rank at the Bar was among the first. But the news of the attack on Ft. Sumter found him eager to take up arms for the defense of his country.

His military record was bright and illustrious. In October, 1861, he was made Lieutenant-Colonel, and in August, 1862, promoted Colonel of the Seventy-ninth Ohio Regiment, but he refused to leave his old comrades and go among strangers. Subsequently, however, he was made Colonel of his old regiment. At the battle of South Mountain he received a wound, and while faint and bleeding displayed courage and fortitude that won admiration from all.

Col. Hayes was detached from his regiment, after his recovery, to act as Brigadier-General, and placed in command of the celebrated Kanawha division, and for gallant and meritorious services in the battles of Winchester, Fisher's Hill and Cedar Creek, he was promoted Brigadier-General. He was also breveted Major-General, "for gallant and distinguished services during the campaigns of 1864, in West Virginia." In the course of his arduous services, four horses were shot from under him, and he was wounded four times.

In 1864, Gen. Hayes was elected to Congress from the Second Ohio District, which had long been Democratic. He was not present during the campaign, and after the election was importuned to resign his commission in the army; but he finally declared, "I shall never come to Washington until I can come by way of Richmond." He was re-elected in 1866.

In 1867, Gen. Hayes was elected Governor of Ohio, over Hon. Allen G. Thurman, a popular Democrat, and in 1869 was re-elected over George H. Pendleton. He was elected Governor for the third term in 1875.

In 1876 he was the standard-bearer of the Republican party in the Presidential contest, and after a hard, long contest was chosen President, and was inaugurated Monday, March 5, 1877. He served his full term, not, however, with satisfaction to his party, but his administration was an average one. The remaining years of his life were passed quietly in his Ohio home, where he passed away January 17, 1893.

J. A. Garfield

JAMES A. GARFIELD.

JAMES A. GARFIELD, twentieth President of the United States, was born November 19, 1831, in the woods of Orange, Cuyahoga County, Ohio. His parents were Abram and Eliza (Ballou) Garfield, both of New England ancestry, and from families well known in the early history of that section of our country, but who had moved to the Western Reserve, in Ohio, early in its settlement.

The house in which James A. was born was not unlike the houses of poor Ohio farmers of that day. It was about 20 x 30 feet, built of logs, with the spaces between the logs filled with clay. His father was a hard-working farmer, and he soon had his fields cleared, an orchard planted, and a log barn built. The household comprised the father and mother and their four children, Mehetabel, Thomas, Mary and James. In May, 1823, the father died from a cold contracted in helping to put out a forest fire. At this time James was about eighteen months old, and Thomas about ten years old. No one, perhaps, can tell how much James was indebted to his brother's toil and self-sacrifice during the twenty years succeeding his father's death. He now lives in Michigan, and the two sisters live in Solon, Ohio, near their birthplace.

The early educational advantages young Garfield enjoyed were very limited, yet he made the most of them. He labored at farm work for others, did carpenter work, chopped wood, or did anything that would bring in a few dollars to aid his widowed mother in her struggles to keep the little family together. Nor was Gen. Garfield ever ashamed of his origin, and he never forgot the friends of his struggling childhood, youth and manhood; neither did they ever forget him. When in the highest seats of honor, the humblest friend of his boyhood was as kindly greeted as ever. The poorest laborer was sure of the sympathy of one who had known all the bitterness of want and the sweetness of bread earned by the sweat of the brow. He was ever the simple, plain, modest gentleman.

The highest ambition of young Garfield until he was about sixteen years old was to be captain of a vessel on Lake Erie. He was anxious to go aboard a vessel, but this his mother strongly opposed. She finally consented to his going to Cleveland, with the understanding, however, that he should try to obtain some other kind of employment. He walked all the way to Cleveland. This was his first visit to the city. After making many applications for work, and trying to get aboard a lake vessel and not meeting with success, he engaged as a driver for his cousin, Amos Letcher, on the Ohio & Pennsylvania Canal. He remained at this work but a short time, when he went home, and attended the seminary at Chester for about three years. He then entered Hiram and the Eclectic Institute, teaching a few terms of school in the mean time, and doing other work. This school was started by the Disciples of Christ in 1850, of which body he was then a member. He became janitor and bell-ringer in order to help pay his way. He then became both teacher and pupil. Soon "exhausting Hiram," and needing a higher education, in the fall of 1854 he entered Williams College, from which he graduated in 1856, taking one of the highest honors of his class. He afterwards returned to Hiram College as its President. As above stated, he early united with the Christian, or Disciples, Church at Hiram, and was ever after a devoted, zealous member, often preaching in its pulpit and places where he happened to be.

Mr. Garfield was united in marriage, November 11, 1858, with Miss Lucretia Rudolph, who proved herself worthy as the wife of one whom all the world loved. To them were born seven children, five of whom are still living, four boys and one girl.

Mr. Garfield made his first political speeches in 1856, in Hiram and the neighboring villages, and three years later he began to speak at county mass-meetings, and became the favorite speaker wherever he was. During this year he was elected to the Ohio Senate. He also began to study law at Cleveland, and in 1861 was admitted to the Bar. The great Rebellion broke out in the early part of this year, and Mr. Garfield at once resolved to fight as he had talked, and enlisted to defend the Old Flag. He received his commission as Lieutenant-Colonel of the Forty-second Regiment of Ohio Infantry August 14, 1861. He was immediately put into active service, and before he had ever seen a gun fired in action, was placed in command of four regiments of infantry and eight companies of cavalry, charged with the work of driving out of his native State the able rebel officer, Humphrey Marshall, of Kentucky. This work was bravely and speedily accomplished, although against great odds, and President Lincoln commissioned him Brigadier-General, January 10, 1862; and "as he had been the youngest man in the Ohio Senate two years before, so now he was the youngest General in the army." He was with Gen. Buell's army at Shiloh, in its operations around Corinth and its march through Alabama. He was then detailed as a member of the general court martial for the trial of Gen. Fitz-John Porter. He was next ordered to report to Gen. Rosecrans, and was assigned to the "Chief of Staff." The military history of Gen. Garfield closed with his brilliant services at Chickamauga, where he won the rank of Major-General.

Without an effort on his part, Gen. Garfield was elected to Congress in the fall of 1862, from the Nineteenth District of Ohio. This section of Ohio had been represented in Congress for sixty years mainly by two men—Elisha Whittlesey and Joshua R. Giddings. It was not without a struggle that he resigned his place in the army. At the time he entered Congress he was the youngest member in that body. There he remained by successive re-elections until he was elected President, in 1880. Of his labors in Congress, Senator Hoar says: "Since the year 1864 you cannot think of a question which has been debated in Congress, or discussed before a tribunal of the American people, in regard to which you will not find, if you wish instruction, the argument on one side stated, in almost every instance better than by anybody else, in some speech made in the House of Representatives or on the hustings by Mr. Garfield."

Upon January 14, 1880, Gen. Garfield was elected to the United States Senate, and on the 8th of June, of the same year, was nominated as the candidate of his party for President at the great Chicago Convention. He was elected in the following November, and on March 4, 1881, was inaugurated. Probably no administration ever opened its existence under brighter auspices than that of President Garfield, and every day it grew in favor with the people. By the 1st of July he had completed all the initiatory and preliminary work of his administration, and was preparing to leave the city to meet his friends at Williams College. While on his way and at the depot, in company with Secretary Blaine, a man stepped behind him, drew a revolver, and fired directly at his back. The President tottered and fell, and as he did so the assassin fired a second shot, the bullet cutting the left coat sleeve of his victim, but inflicting no further injury. It has been very truthfully said that this was "the shot that was heard around the world." Never before in the history of the nation had anything occurred which so nearly froze the blood of the people for the moment as this awful deed. He was smitten on the brightest, gladdest day of all his life, at the summit of his power and hope. For eighty days, all during the hot months of July and August, he lingered and suffered. He, however, remained master of himself till the last, and by his magnificent bearing taught the country and the world one of the noblest of human lessons—how to live grandly in the very clutch of death. Great in life, he was surpassingly great in death. He passed serenely away September 19, 1883, at Elberon, N. J., on the very bank of the ocean, where he had been taken shortly before. The world wept at his death, as it rarely ever had done on the death of any other great and noble man.

CHESTER A. ARTHUR.

CHESTER A. ARTHUR, twenty-first President of the United States, was born in Franklin County, Vt., on the 5th day of October, 1830, and was the eldest of a family of two sons and five daughters. His father was the Rev. Dr. William Arthur, a Baptist clergyman, who emigrated to this country from County Antrim, Ireland, in his eighteenth year, and died in 1875, in Newtonville, near Albany, after a long and successful ministry.

Young Arthur was educated at Union College, Schenectady, where he excelled in all his studies. After his graduation he taught school in Vermont for two years, and at the expiration of that time came to New York, with $500 in his pocket, and entered the office of ex-Judge E. D. Culver as a student. After being admitted to the Bar, he formed a partnership with his intimate friend and room-mate, Henry D. Gardiner, with the intention of practicing in the West, and for three months they roamed about in the Western States in search of an eligible site, but in the end returned to New York, where they hung out their shingle, and entered upon a successful career almost from the start. Gen. Arthur soon after married the daughter of Lieut. Herndon, of the United States Navy, who was lost at sea. Congress voted a gold medal to his widow in recognition of the bravery he displayed on that occasion. Mrs. Arthur died shortly before Mr. Arthur's nomination to the Vice-Presidency, leaving two children.

Gen. Arthur obtained considerable legal celebrity in his first great case, the famous Lemmon suit, brought to recover possession of eight slaves who had been declared free by Judge Paine, of the Superior Court of New York City. It was in 1852 that Jonathan Lemmon, of Virginia, went to New York with his slaves, intending to ship them to Texas, when they were discovered and freed. The Judge decided that they could not be held by the owner under the Fugitive Slave Law. A howl of rage went up from the South, and the Virginia Legislature authorized the Attorney-General of that State to assist in an appeal. William M. Evarts and Chester A. Arthur were employed to represent the people, and they won their case, which then went to the Supreme Court of the United States. Charles O'Conor here espoused the cause of the slaveholders, but he, too, was beaten by Messrs. Evarts and Arthur, and a long step was taken toward the emancipation of the black race.

Another great service was rendered by Gen. Arthur in the same cause in 1856. Lizzie Jennings, a respectable colored woman, was put off a Fourth Avenue car with violence after she had paid her fare. Gen. Arthur sued on her behalf, and secured a verdict of $500 damages. The next day the company issued an order to admit colored persons to ride on their cars, and the other car companies quickly followed their example. Before that the Sixth Avenue Company ran a few special cars for colored persons, and the other lines refused to let them ride at all.

Gen. Arthur was a delegate to the convention at Saratoga that founded the Republican party. Previous to the war he was Judge-Advocate of the Second Brigade of the State of New York, and Gov. Morgan, of that State, appointed him Engineer-in-Chief of his staff. In 1861, he was made Inspector-General, and soon afterward became Quartermaster-General. In each of these offices he rendered great service to the Govern-

ment during the war. At the end of Gov. Morgan's term he resumed the practice of law, forming a partnership with Mr. Ransom, and then Mr. Phelps, the District Attorney of New York, was added to the firm. The legal practice of this well-known firm was very large and lucrative, as each of the gentlemen composing it was an able lawyer, and possessed a splendid local reputation, if not, indeed, one of national extent.

Mr. Arthur always took a leading part in State and city politics. He was appointed Collector of the Port of New York by President Grant, November 21, 1872, to succeed Thomas Murphy, and he held the office until July 20, 1878, when he was succeeded by Collector Merritt.

Mr. Arthur was nominated on the Presidential ticket, with Gen. James A. Garfield, at the famous National Republican Convention held at Chicago in June, 1880. This was perhaps the greatest political convention that ever assembled on the continent. It was composed of the leading politicians of the Republican party, all able men, and each stood firm and fought vigorously and with signal tenacity for his respective candidate that was before the convention for the nomination. Finally Gen. Garfield received the nomination for President, and Gen. Arthur for Vice-President. The campaign which followed was one of the most animated known in the history of our country. Gen. Hancock, the standard-bearer of the Democratic party, was a popular man, and his party made a valiant fight for his election.

Finally the election came, and the country's choice was Garfield and Arthur. They were inaugurated March 4, 1881, as President and Vice-President. A few months only had passed ere the newly-chosen President was the victim of the assassin's bullet. Then came terrible weeks of suffering—those moments of anxious suspense, when the hearts of all civilized nations were throbbing in unison, longing for the recovery of the noble, the good President. The remarkable patience that he manifested during those hours and weeks, and even months, of the most terrible suffering man has ever been called upon to endure, was seemingly more than human. It was certainly godlike. During all this period of deepest anxiety Mr. Arthur's every move was watched, and, be it said to his credit, that his every action displayed only an earnest desire that the suffering Garfield might recover to serve the remainder of the term he had so auspiciously begun. Not a selfish feeling was manifested in deed or look of this man, even though the most honored position in the world was at any moment likely to fall to him.

At last God in his mercy relieved President Garfield from further suffering, and the world, as never before in its history over the death of any other man, wept at his bier. Then it became the duty of the Vice-President to assume the responsibilities of the high office, and he took the oath in New York, September 20, 1881. The position was an embarrassing one to him, made doubly so from the fact that all eyes were on him, anxious to know what he would do, what policy he would pursue, and whom he would select as advisers. The duties of the office had been greatly neglected during the President's long illness, and many important measures were to be immediately decided by him; and to still further embarass him he did not fail to realize under what circumstances he became President, and knew the feelings of many on this point. Under these trying circumstances, President Arthur took the reins of the Government in his own hands, and, as embarrassing as was the condition of affairs, he happily surprised the nation, acting so wisely that but few criticized his administration. He served the nation well and faithfully until the close of his administration, March 4, 1885, and was a popular candidate before his party for a second term. His name was ably presented before the convention at Chicago, and was received with great favor, and doubtless but for the personal popularity of one of the opposing candidates, he would have been selected as the standard-bearer of his party for another campaign. He retired to private life, carrying with him the best wishes of the American people, whom he had served in a manner satisfactory to them and with credit to himself. One year later he was called to his final rest.

Grover Cleveland

STEPHEN GROVER CLEVELAND.

STEPHEN GROVER CLEVELAND, the twenty-second President of the United States, was born in 1837, in the obscure town of Caldwell, Essex County, N. J., and in a little two-and-a-half-story white house, which is still standing to characteristically mark the humble birthplace of one of America's great men, in striking contrast with the Old World, where all men high in office must be high in origin and born in the cradle of wealth. When the subject of this sketch was three years of age, his father, who was a Presbyterian minister with a large family and a small salary, moved, by way of the Hudson River and Erie Canal, to Fayetteville, N. Y., in search of an increased income and a larger field of work. Fayetteville was then the most straggling of country villages, about five miles from Pompey Hill, where Governor Seymour was born.

At the last-mentioned place young Grover commenced going to school in the good, old-fashioned way, and presumably distinguished himself after the manner of all village boys—in doing the things he ought not to do. Such is the distinguishing trait of all geniuses and independent thinkers. When he arrived at the age of fourteen years, he had outgrown the capacity of the village school, and expressed a most emphatic desire to be sent to an academy. To this his father decidedly objected. Academies in those days cost money; besides, his father wanted him to become self-supporting by the quickest possible means, and this at that time in Fayetteville seemed to be a position in a country store, where his father and the large family on his hands had considerable influence. Grover was to be paid $50 for his services the first year, and if he proved trustworthy he was to receive $100 the second year. Here the lad commenced his career as salesman, and in two years he had earned so good a reputation for trustworthiness that his employers desired to retain him for an indefinite length of time.

But instead of remaining with this firm in Fayetteville, he went with the family in their removal to Clinton, where he had an opportunity of attending a High School. Here he industriously pursued his studies until the family removed with him to a point on Black River known as the "Holland Patent," a village of five or six hundred people, fifteen miles north of Utica, N. Y. At this place his father died, after preaching but three Sundays. This event broke up the family, and Grover set out for New York City to accept, at a small salary, the position of under-teacher in an asylum for the blind. He taught faithfully for two years, and although he obtained a good reputation in this capacity, he concluded that teaching was not his calling in life, and, reversing the traditional order, he left the city to seek his fortune, instead of going to the city. He first thought of Cleveland, Ohio, as there was some charm in that name for him; but before proceeding to that place he went to Buffalo to ask advice of his uncle, Lewis F. Allan, a noted stock-breeder of that place. The latter did not speak enthusiastically. "What is it you want to do, my boy?" he asked. "Well, sir, I want to study law," was the reply "Good gracious!" remarked the old gentleman; "do you, indeed? Whatever

put that into your head? How much money have you got?" "Well, sir, to tell the truth, I haven't got any."

After a long consultation, his uncle offered him a place temporarily as assistant herd-keeper, at $50 a year, while he could look around. One day soon afterward he boldly walked into the office of Rogers, Bowen & Rogers, of Buffalo, and told them what he wanted. A number of young men were already engaged in the office, but Grover's persistency won, and he was finally permitted to come as an office boy and have the use of the law library, receiving as wages the sum of $3 or $4 a week. Out of this he had to pay for his board and washing. The walk to and from his uncle's was a long and rugged one; and although the first winter was a memorably severe one, his shoes were out of repair, and as for his overcoat he had none; yet he was, nevertheless, prompt and regular. On the first day of his service there, his senior employer threw down a copy of Blackstone before him, with a bang that made the dust fly, saying "That's where they all begin." A titter ran around the little circle of clerks and students, as they thought that was enough to scare young Grover out of his plans; but in due time he mastered that cumbersome volume. Then, as ever afterward, however, Mr. Cleveland exhibited a talent for executiveness rather than for chasing principles through all their metaphysical possibilities. "Let us quit talking and go and do it," was practically his motto.

The first public office to which Mr. Cleveland was elected was that of Sheriff of Erie County, N. Y., in which Buffalo is situated; and in such capacity it fell to his duty to inflict capital punishment upon two criminals. In 1881 he was elected Mayor of the City of Buffalo, on the Democratic ticket, with especial reference to bringing about certain reforms in the administration of the municipal affairs of that city. In this office, as well as in that of Sheriff, his performance of duty has generally been considered fair, with possibly a few exceptions, which were ferreted out and magnified during his Presidential campaign. As a specimen of his plain language in a veto message, we quote from one vetoing an iniquitous street-cleaning contract: "This is a time for plain speech, and my objection to your action shall be plainly stated. I regard it as the culmination of a most bare-faced, impudent and shameless scheme to betray the interests of the people and to worse than squander the people's money." The New York *Sun* afterward very highly commended Mr. Cleveland's administration as Mayor of Buffalo, and thereupon recommended him for Governor of the Empire State. To the latter office he was elected in 1882, and his administration of the affairs of State was generally satisfactory. The mistakes he made, if any, were made very public throughout the nation after he was nominated for President of the United States. For this high office he was nominated July 11, 1884, by the National Democratic Convention at Chicago, when other competitors were Thomas F. Bayard, Roswell P. Flower, Thomas A. Hendricks, Benjamin F. Butler, Allen G. Thurman, etc.; and he was elected by the people, by a majority of about a thousand, over the brilliant and long-tried Republican statesman, James G. Blaine. President Cleveland resigned his office as Governor of New York in January, 1885, in order to prepare for his duties as the Chief Executive of the United States, in which capacity his term commenced at noon on the 4th of March, 1885.

The silver question precipitated a controversy between those who were in favor of the continuance of silver coinage and those who were opposed, Mr. Cleveland answering for the latter, even before his inauguration.

On June 2, 1886, President Cleveland married Frances, daughter of his deceased friend and partner, Oscar Folsom, of the Buffalo Bar. Their union has been blessed by the birth of two daughters. In the campaign of 1888, President Cleveland was renominated by his party, but the Republican candidate, Gen. Benjamin Harrison, was victorious. In the nominations of 1892 these two candidates for the highest position in the gift of the people were again pitted against each other, and in the ensuing election President Cleveland was victorious by an overwhelming majority.

Benj. Harrison

BENJAMIN HARRISON.

BENJAMIN HARRISON, the twenty-third President, is the descendant of one of the historical families of this country. The first known head of the family was Maj.-Gen. Harrison, one of Oliver Cromwell's trusted followers and fighters. In the zenith of Cromwell's power it became the duty of this Harrison to participate in the trial of Charles I., and afterward to sign the death warrant of the king. He subsequently paid for this with his life, being hung October 13, 1660. His descendants came to America, and the next of the family that appears in history is Benjamin Harrison, of Virginia, great-grandfather of the subject of this sketch, and after whom he was named. Benjamin Harrison was a member of the Continental Congress during the years 1774, 1775 and 1776, and was one of the original signers of the Declaration of Independence. He was three times elected Governor of Virginia.

Gen. William Henry Harrison, the son of the distinguished patriot of the Revolution, after a successful career as a soldier during the War of 1812, and with a clean record as Governor of the Northwestern Territory, was elected President of the United States in 1840. His career was cut short by death within one month after his inauguration.

President Harrison was born at North Bend, Hamilton County, Ohio, August 20, 1833. His life up to the time of his graduation from Miami University, at Oxford, Ohio, was the uneventful one of a country lad of a family of small means. His father was able to give him a good education, and nothing more. He became engaged while at college to the daughter of Dr. Scott, Principal of a female school at Oxford. After graduating, he determined to enter upon the study of law. He went to Cincinnati and there read law for two years. At the expiration of that time young Harrison received the only inheritance of his life—his aunt, dying, left him a lot valued at $800. He regarded this legacy as a fortune, and decided to get married at once, take this money and go to some Eastern town and begin the practice of law. He sold his lot, and, with the money in his pocket, he started out with his young wife to fight for a place in the world. He decided to go to Indianapolis, which was even at that time a town of promise. He met with slight encouragement at first, making scarcely anything the first year. He worked diligently, applying himself closely to his calling, built up an extensive practice and took a leading rank in the legal profession.

In 1860, Mr. Harrison was nominated for the position of Supreme Court Reporter, and then began his experience as a stump speaker. He can-

vassed the State thoroughly, and was elected by a handsome majority. In 1862 he raised the Seventeenth Indiana Infantry, and was chosen its Colonel. His regiment was composed of the rawest material, but Col. Harrison employed all his time at first in mastering military tactics and drilling his men, and when he came to move toward the East with Sherman, his regiment was one of the best drilled and organized in the army. At Resaca he especially distinguished himself, and for his bravery at Peachtree Creek he was made a Brigadier-General, Gen. Hooker speaking of him in the most complimentary terms.

During the absence of Gen. Harrison in the field, the Supreme Court declared the office of Supreme Court Reporter vacant, and another person was elected to the position. From the time of leaving Indiana with his regiment until the fall of 1864 he had taken no leave of absence, but having been nominated that year for the same office, he got a thirty-day leave of absence, and during that time made a brilliant canvass of the State, and was elected for another term. He then started to rejoin Sherman, but on the way was stricken down with scarlet fever, and after a most trying attack made his way to the front in time to participate in the closing incidents of the war.

In 1868 Gen. Harrison declined a re-election as Reporter, and resumed the practice of law. In 1876 he was a candidate for Governor. Although defeated, the brilliant campaign he made won for him a national reputation, and he was much sought after, especially in the East, to make speeches. In 1880, as usual, he took an active part in the campaign, and was elected to the United States Senate. Here he served for six years, and was known as one of the ablest men, best lawyers and strongest debaters in that body. With the expiration of his senatorial term he returned to the practice of his profession, becoming the head of one of the strongest firms in the State.

The political campaign of 1888 was one of the most memorable in the history of our country. The convention which assembled in Chicago in June and named Mr. Harrison as the chief standard-bearer of the Republican party was great in every particular, and on this account, and the attitude it assumed upon the vital questions of the day, chief among which was the tariff, awoke a deep interest in the campaign throughout the nation. Shortly after the nomination, delegations began to visit Mr. Harrison at Indianapolis, his home. This movement became popular, and from all sections of the country societies, clubs and delegations journeyed thither to pay their respects to the distinguished statesman.

Mr. Harrison spoke daily all through the summer and autumn to these visiting delegations, and so varied, masterly, and eloquent were his speeches that they at once placed him in the foremost rank of American orators and statesmen. Elected by a handsome majority, he served his country faithfully and well, and in 1892 was nominated for re-election; but the people demanded a change and he was defeated by his predecessor in office, Grover Cleveland.

On account of his eloquence as a speaker and his power as a debater, Gen. Harrison was called upon at an early age to take part in the discussion of the great questions that then began to agitate the country. He was an uncompromising anti-slavery man, and was matched against some of the most eminent Democratic speakers of his State. No man who felt the touch of his blade desired to be pitted with him again. With all his eloquence as an orator he never spoke for oratorical effect, but his words always went like bullets to the mark. He is purely American in his ideas, and is a splendid type of the American statesman. Gifted with quick perception, a logical mind and a ready tongue, he is one of the most distinguished impromptu speakers in the nation. Many of these speeches sparkled with the rarest eloquence and contained arguments of great weight, and many of his terse statements have already become aphorisms. Original in thought, precise in logic, terse in statement, yet withal faultless in eloquence, he is recognized as the sound statesman and brilliant orator of the day. During the last days of his administration President Harrison suffered an irreparable loss in the death of his devoted wife, Caroline (Scott) Harrison, a lady of many womanly charms and virtues. They were the parents of two children.

LICKING COUNTY,

OHIO.

INTRODUCTORY.

THE time has arrived when it becomes the duty of the people of this county to perpetuate the names of their pioneers, to furnish a record of their early settlement, and relate the story of their progress. The civilization of our day, the enlightenment of the age and the duty that men of the present time owe to their ancestors, to themselves and to their posterity, demand that a record of their lives and deeds should be made. In biographical history is found a power to instruct man by precedent, to enliven the mental faculties, and to waft down the river of time a safe vessel in which the names and actions of the people who contributed to raise this country from its primitive state may be preserved. Surely and rapidly the great and aged men, who in their prime entered the wilderness and claimed the virgin soil as their heritage, are passing to their graves. The number remaining who can relate the incidents of the first days of settlement is becoming small indeed, so that an actual necessity exists for the collection and preservation of events without delay, before all the early settlers are cut down by the scythe of Time.

To be forgotten has been the great dread of mankind from remotest ages. All will be forgotten soon enough, in spite of their best works and the most earnest efforts of their friends to perserve the memory of their lives. The means employed to prevent oblivion and to perpetuate their memory has been in proportion to the amount of intelligence they possessed. The pyramids of Egypt were built to perpetuate the names and deeds of their great rulers. The exhumations made by the archeologists of Egypt from buried Memphis indicate a desire of those people to perpetuate the memory of their achievements The erection of the great obelisks were for the same purpose. Coming down to a later period, we find the Greeks and Romans erecting mausoleums and monuments, and carving out statues to chronicle their great achievements and carry them down the ages. It is also evident that the Mound-builders, in piling up their great mounds of earth, had but this idea—to leave something to show that they had lived. All these works, though many of them costly in the extreme, give but a faint idea of the lives and characters of those whose memory they were intended to perpetuate, and scarcely anything of the masses of the people that then lived. The great pyramids and some of the obelisks remain objects only of curiosity; the mausoleums, monuments and statues are crumbling into dust.

It was left to modern ages to establish an intelligent, undecaying, immutable method of perpetuating a full history—immutable in that it is almost unlimited in extent and perpetual in its action; and this is through the art of printing.

To the present generation, however, we are indebted for the introduction of the admirable system of local biography. By this system every man, though he has not achieved what the world calls greatness, has the means to perpetuate his life, his history, through the coming ages.

The scythe of Time cuts down all; nothing of the physical man is left. The monument which his children or friends may erect to his memory in the cemetery will crumble into dust and pass away; but his life, his achievements, the work he has accomplished, which otherwise would be forgotten, is perpetuated by a record of this kind.

To preserve the lineaments of our companions we engrave their portraits, for the same reason we collect the attainable facts of their history. Nor do we think it necessary, as we speak only truth of them, to wait until they are dead, or until those who know them are gone: to do this we are ashamed only to publish to the world the history of those whose lives are unworthy of public record.

HON. WILLIAM C. LYON.

Hon. William Cotter Lyon.

HON. WILLIAM COTTER LYON. The proud distinction won by the Old Dominion during the early history of our country as the "mother" of presidents and the home of illustrious men, was afterward transferred to Ohio. The Buckeye State has been the birthplace of many who have taken high rank in the councils of the nation. It has given our country in recent years three of its chief executives, Grant, Hayes and Garfield, as well as many eminent statesmen, Sherman, McKinley, Foraker, etc., whose names are household words throughout the land. Among its illustrious sons is the gentleman whose name introduces this biographical review, and who has been the recipient of many offices of honor from the people of the commonwealth. A man of ripe intellect, of a clear and vigorous mind, with a keen understanding of all subjects of public import, he has wielded an unmistakable influence on the civic life of the state.

The life of this statesman will be of great interest to our readers, and especially to the people of Newark, among whom he has resided for many years. He was born in Homer, Medina County, Ohio, July 7, 1841, and is a son of David Lyon, a native of Westchester County, N. Y., and a farmer by occupation. The paternal grandfather, William Cotter Lyon, likewise a native of Westchester County, died in West Somerset, N. Y., in 1848. The great-grandfather, David Lyon, was born in Belfast, Ireland, in 1756, and with his father, Jonathan (likewise a native of Belfast), emigrated to America prior to the Revolutionary War, settling in New York. The sympathies of David Lyon were enlisted on behalf of the struggling Colonies, and he was one of the heroes of the Revolution, serving as captain during 1775–76. His death occurred in Homer, Medina County, Ohio, in 1851.

At Wooster, Wayne County, Ohio, David Lyon, Jr., and Miss Ann McGuire were united in marriage. This lady was born in Ireland, and was well educated and held in high esteem for her many womanly qualities. Her father, Henry McGuire, also a native of the Emerald Isle, brought his family to America during the early part of the present century and settled in Wayne County, Ohio, where he died in 1840. After his marriage David Lyon sojourned for four years in Homer, Ohio, thence removed to Cass County, Mich., and there, after a residence of two years, the wife and mother passed away, in June, 1847.

Soon after that bereavement, the family, consist-

ing of the father and three children, returned to Ohio, and for a time resided in Wooster, Wayne County. In 1853 he settled on an unimproved farm in Putnam County, Ohio, and in September of the same year he was brutally murdered by an intoxicated neighbor, simply for the reason that Mr. Lyon, who was a Christian, reproved him for using excessively profane language. Therefore, when only twelve years of age, William C., of this sketch, found himself thrown entirely upon his own resources. With a cheerful fortitude he endured the hardships and privations which were necessarily imposed upon him, not for his support alone, but for those who were dependent upon him.

The annals of American biography are filled with records of heroic endeavors on the part of brave boys, who at the same time that they were burdened by poverty, cherished a burning ambition to excel in some branch of knowledge. Many a noble boy has not only tenderly cared for the dear ones who have been left destitute by the father's death, but has also planned for the acquisition of a liberal education, that he might become fitted for the work to which he looked forward. Such has been the experience of Mr. Lyon, and success has crowned his efforts, as it usually rewards the industrious and judicious. Realizing that it was necessary to gain some means of livelihood, he learned the trade of a shoemaker in youth, and was thus employed until the opening of the Rebellion.

Imbued with the zeal and patriotism that had inspired his forefathers, Mr. Lyon responded to the call for troops and was one of the first men to enlist in Medina County, his name being enrolled in the army in April, 1861. For three months he was engaged in camp service at Cleveland and Columbus, after which he was attached to Company C, Twenty-third Ohio Infantry, a regiment to which belonged at different times many national characters, including General Hayes, Justice Stanley Mathews, Hon. William McKinley, and others of perhaps equal prominence in military and civil life. He served as a private until 1863. At the battle of South Mountain he was promoted to Second Lieutenant, later became First Lieutenant, and was commissioned Captain in the spring of 1865.

Until within thirteen months of the close of the war, Captain Lyon took part in all the important engagements with his regiment. Shortly after his promotion to First Lieutenant, he was assigned to duty on the staff of General Scamman, and February 3, 1864, was taken prisoner and held until the war closed, being confined in Libby, Danville, Charleston, Raleigh, Macon and Columbia. During his confinement at Charleston, S. C., he was stricken down with yellow fever, but being a young man of a strong and robust constitution, he was enabled to ward off the perilous attack only to endure still greater suffering and hardships. While confined there, in October, 1864, an order was issued by the rebel war department that two Union officers must be shot in retaliation for two rebel bushwhackers who had been executed by order of General Burnside. An order was issued by the rebel commander for sixty officers to fall into line. Among that number was Captain Lyon.

The rebel captain announced to them the order of the rebel war department and said: "In this box are sixty beans, fifty-eight white and two black. Whoever draws the black beans will be shot." Captain Lyon drew the first one and the late Colonel Case, of Bellefontaine, Ohio, a stanch friend of his, drew the other. They were at once taken away and expected to be executed. They were conveyed to Raleigh, N. C., and there placed in different cells underneath the state prison, where the light could not penetrate, and their cells were overgrown with moss and reeking with filth. There, in that horrible place, they were confined for three months, gradually wasting away and dying by inches. They were then sent to Columbia, S. C., where the Captain was offered the freedom of the city if he would work at his trade (shoemaking), but he indignantly declined the offer, declaring he would rot in prison before he would in any way lend a hand to the cause of the Confederacy. Through his long confinement and great sufferings he became greatly emaciated, and when released, March 1, 1865, weighed but ninety-seven pounds.

Arriving in Columbus, April 15, 1865, Captain Lyon soon afterward returned to Medina County, where he engaged in the shoe business until 1870.

He then removed to Newark, where he has since resided. In 1877 he was appointed Postmaster at Newark by President Hayes, and re-appointed by President Arthur, holding the position until January 1, 1886. In September, 1884, he purchased the Newark *American*, and since his retirement from the postoffice has devoted himself largely to the publication of that paper. This, as may be inferred, is a staneh and influential Republican organ.

In 1886 Governor Foraker appointed Captain Lyon a Trustee of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphan's Home at Xenia, Ohio, which position he filled with acceptance for some years. At the Republican State Convention of 1887 he received the nomination for Lieutenant-Governor on the ticket with J. B. Foraker, and was elected by a handsome majority. It is needless to add that the duties of the office were discharged with ability and satisfaction to his constituents and the people of the state. He was chosen delegate to the well remembered National Convention at Minneapolis in 1892, and cast his vote for the Napoleon of protection, Governor McKinley.

Socially, Captain Lyon is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is Past Grand Regent of the Royal Arcanum of Ohio, also a member of the Supreme Council of the United States and Canada of that body. He is identified with Lemert Post No. 71, G. A. R., of Newark. Since 1866 he has been an active and consistent member of the Baptist Church. June 17, 1868, he was united in marriage with Miss Eva M. Spitzer, daughter of Garrett Spitzer, of Medina County, Ohio. They have one daughter, Maud E., who is the wife of William A. Galloway, M. D., of Xenia, Ohio.

The foregoing is but a brief and imperfect outline of the life and deeds of one of Newark's representative and esteemed citizens. His life has been an active one. Thrown when quite young upon his own resources, he has displayed those characteristics which have shone out with increasing lustre all through his life, and when the sun begins to set and the shadows begin to fall, when day is swallowed up in night, and the curtain falls upon the last scene, it may truthfully be said of William Cotter Lyon, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

WILLIAM WHITNEY, deceased, who for many years was a prominent resident of Granville, was born at Ashburnham, Worcester County, Mass., July 22, 1809. There his boyhood days were passed, and in its schools his education was obtained. At the age of twenty he went to Boston, where he spent one year occupied in various capacities. While in that city he was converted, and later united with the Baptist Church. Desiring a better education, he was advised by a friend to go west and attend Shurtleff College, at Alton, Ill.

Acting upon this advice, Mr. Whitney started for Alton, traveling by canal boats, stages and on foot, shipping his effects as best he could. He stopped for a short time at Granville, and reached his destination after six weeks. In the college at Alton he pursued his studies for a year and a-half, and then started on his return to Boston, but on reaching Granville he was prevailed upon to remain there. On the 13th of December, 1831, he became a member of the first class under the direction of the old Granville Theological Institute, (now Denison University), and while there was licensed to preach.

The early experience of Mr. Whitney at Granville was of an unusually exciting character. He was bitterly opposed to slavery, and having the courage of his convictions, freely spoke and wrote against it, in season and out of season, which brought him strong opposition. The discussion reached its climax when he wrote and published a tract entitled "Mobocracy Exposed; or, a Pill for the Doughfaces." For this he was viciously persecuted, which made it so unpleasant for him that

he decided to go to Oberlin, then known as the "City of Refuge." He attended the school there for a short time, but owing to lack of means, could not complete the course. After teaching school near Oberlin for a year, he returned to Granville, and for six years had charge of the public schools of the village, after which he occupied a similar position in Lancaster, Ohio, for eleven years, and in the latter place he was also express agent for a few years.

For the first year after his return to Granville, in 1865, he worked for Denison University in traveling about the country getting old scholarships surrendered and collecting funds for the college when he could do so. He also served the university as financial secretary of the Ohio Baptist Educational Society for twenty years, and during nineteen years of the period he was also Treasurer, serving in that capacity until he was seventy-six years old, when declining health caused his retirement. He was twice married, first in Keene, Ohio, in 1840, to Miss Julia Emerson, who died November 10, 1864. The only child born of this union is deceased. April 19, 1866, Mr. Whitney married Mrs. C. H. Courtney, widow of the Rev. J. M. Courtney, who now survives him. He passed away December 14, 1893, mourned by all who knew him. In all the relations of life he was true to every trust, whether public or private, and faithfully discharged every duty to his family, to the community and to his God. He was always found on the side of truth and justice, fearlessly advocating the right and opposing the wrong. If there was an evil in the community that he did not antagonize, it is safe to say that he did not know of its existence.

Mrs. Whitney, whose maiden name was Catherine Hall, was born on a farm in Yates County, N. Y. Her father, Joseph Hall, was a soldier in the War of 1812. Her mother, who bore the maiden name of Mary Black, was born at Johnstown, N. Y., of Scotch parents, who when young crossed the ocean on the same sailing-vessel, and later in life met, became acquainted and were married. When a girl, Catherine Hall attended the public schools, after which she went to Geneva and took a course in the female seminary under Mrs. Record. She taught school for six years prior to her marriage to the Rev. J. M. Courtney, which occurred October 28, 1845. He was born in New Jersey, May 26, 1811, educated at Bordentown, N. J., and licensed to preach about 1834. His first charge was at Morristown, N. J., and he entered upon his duties as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Zanesville, Ohio, in October, 1841, continuing there eight years. He died in Akron, Ohio, December 27, 1852, after a brief illness. He and his wife had three children: Mary E., deceased; Edward T., a member of the United States regular army; and William L., an architect and builder of Granville. After the death of the Rev. Mr. Courtney, his widow taught in the public schools of Zanesville for nine years, following that profession until she became the wife of Mr. Whitney. She is a cultured, refined and well informed lady, who during her residence in Granville has won the regard of the best people of the community.

JOSEPH B. SINSABAUGH. Licking County is the home of many gentlemen of fine natural abilities, thorough education and business energy, who in various fields of industry are acquiring enviable reputations and gaining well deserved success. Among this number we present the name and life sketch of J. B. Sinsabaugh, one of the most influential business men of St. Louisville. Of the success he has achieved he has no reason to complain, and he merits especial regard inasmuch as his present standing is due to his unaided exertions and represents the results of his own unremitting efforts.

Born in Franklin County, Ohio, March 21, 1841, the subject of this sketch spent the first ten years of his life upon a farm there with his parents, George and Elizabeth (McCrey) Sinsabaugh. He

then accompanied the family to Fairfield County, the same state, where his education was conducted in the district schools. After eight years spent in that place, he removed to Muskingum County, and was residing there when the firing of Ft. Sumter aroused his indignation, inducing him to give not only his influence to the cause of the Union, but his active services as well.

Enlisting August 4, 1862, Mr. Sinsabaugh became a member of Company G, Ninety-seventh Ohio Infantry, and after a faithful service of two and one-half years he was discharged on account of wounds received in the battle of Kenesaw Mountain. He participated in numerous skirmishes and minor engagements, as well as a number of important and decisive battles, including those of Stone River, Missionary Ridge, Dalton, Resaca and Dallas, Ga. At the battle of Missionary Ridge he received a slight wound in the foot, and at Kenesaw Mountain he was severely wounded in the right arm, in consequence of which he was obliged to leave the army.

Returning to the Buckeye State, Mr. Sinsabaugh resided in Knox County for a short time and thence, in 1866, he came to St. Louisville, where he has since made his home. His principal occupation throughout life has been that of farming, in which he has met with success. In June, 1886, he was appointed by Warden Coffin to the position of Guard in the Ohio State Penitentiary, and was afterward promoted to be Captain of the Guard Room, remaining in the two positions for four years. After resigning he returned to St. Louisville, and here, since 1890, he has conducted a large and profitable grain business.

The marriage of Mr. Sinsabaugh, occurring at St. Louisville, December 23, 1868, united him with Miss Lucinda McDaniel, a native of Newton Township, Licking County, and a daughter of the late John McDaniel, one of the old settlers of that township. Two sons have blessed their union, Guy B. and Frederick B. In his social connections Mr. Sinsabaugh is identified with Channel Post No. 188, G. A. R., and is one of its prominent members. As a citizen he is ever interested in measures having for their object the promotion of the best interests of St. Louisville, and in his political views he gives his support to the principles of the Republican party. The record of his life illustrates what may be accomplished by determined will and perseverance, for through his own efforts he has gained material prosperity and the esteem of his acquaintances.

FRANKLIN WILKIN, a successful agriculturist residing on section 17, Mary Ann Township, was born July 28, 1833, upon the farm where he now resides. He is the youngest son and ninth child born to the union of Henry and Magdalene (Smootz) Wilkin. His parents were both natives of Virginia, the father born in Hardy County July 4, 1781, and the mother in Shenandoah County July 6, 1794. They were married in the Old Dominion and thence, in October of 1816, removed to Licking County, Ohio, at a period so early in the history of this section that the entire country was one vast wilderness. At present only one family is living in the county that resided here at the time of their arrival. They continued to make this their home until called from earth.

In the subscription and public schools of pioneer days the children of Henry Wilkin received their schooling. Of the large family only four are now living, namely: David, a farmer living in Washington Township, this county; Lucinda, the wife of Samuel Pound and a resident of Eden Township; Mrs. Barbara Wilson, the widow of George Wilson and a resident of Newark Township; and Franklin, of this sketch. Of those deceased all grew to mature years. Amanda married P. C. Fiske and both are now deceased; Lydia married Bartholomew Chambers, of Putnam County, Ohio, by whom she had three children, two

sons yet living, Bartholomew and Byron. After the death of Mr. Chambers she became the wife of S. W. Miles, whom she preceded in death; George and John were both widowers at the time of their demise; Henry died unmarried. The family has been represented in the various wars of the country from the time of the Revolution to the present. George, a brother of our subject, served for three years in the Union army during the Civil War, being a member of an Ohio regiment.

The lady who, October 13, 1864, became the wife of Franklin Wilkin bore the maiden name of Mary A. Jenkins, and was born in Licking County in 1847. Her parents, James and Rebecca (Parker) Jenkins, were natives respectively of Washington Township, Licking County, Ohio, and the Old Dominion. Both passed away in this county. Three children were born of the union of Mr. and Mrs. Wilkin, namely: Magdalene, who was born September 11, 1865, and died November 13, 1870; Milton, whose birth occurred November 2, 1867; and Henry, who was born October 1, 1879, and is now a student in the school at Pataskala, Ohio. The elder son is a farmer by occupation and married Miss Nettie Wilkin.

The public affairs of the township and county receive a due share of Mr. Wilkin's attention and he is prominent in the councils of the Democratic party of this section. At the present time he is serving as Treasurer of Mary Ann Township, which office has been in his house continuously for twenty-one years. He has also served in various other positions of trust and responsibility. In 1863 he joined the Masonic order and has since been an ardent supporter of Masonic principles. He is an attendant at religious services, but not a member of any denomination. His wife is a Baptist and his sons are worthy members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was one of the charter members of Acacia Lodge No. 464, A. F. & A. M., in which he has held official positions. This lodge was organized at Wilkin's Run and still exists, having a present membership of about forty.

The farm owned and occupied by Mr. Wilkin is one of the best in the neighborhood. The soil is fertile, and in return for the care and cultivation of the owner, yields bountiful harvests every year. It comprises three hundred and fifty-six acres, the most of which is bottom land, lying on Wilkin's Run. A portion of the property is rented, while from the remainder Mr. Wilkin reaps large harvests of golden grain. He and his family are highly esteemed and are prominent in the social circles of the community.

STEPHEN W. MILES. Every man who has improved a tract of land and placed it under cultivation has added materially to the wealth of his township and so of his county. Thus it is that Mary Ann Township is indebted to our subject and his associate farmers and stock-raisers for much of its prosperity and high standing as a favored agricultural district. His farm is situated on section 16, and comprises one hundred and fifty-four acres of tillable land, the whole constituting a very attractive homestead.

Born in Eden Township, Licking County, Ohio, November 18, 1828, our subject is the only son of John and Barbara (Dush) Miles. His father was a native of Pennsylvania, and came to Licking County at a period so early in its history that wild beasts had full possession of the forests. The country was sparsely settled when he established himself here, and only the brightest of day-dreams could picture forth its present highly improved and prosperous condition. The pioneers could not even imagine the lines of rail that cross its once trackless wilderness and the wires over which the electric current carries the messages between places far distant.

From Licking County John Miles went forth

to serve his country in the War of 1812, and as a bounty for his services in that memorable conflict he received a land warrant in Putnam County, Ohio. After his death his widow received a small pension, which was continued until her demise. The father passed away at the age of sixty-six years. The mother, who was born in Muskingum County, Ohio, in 1808, died at the home of our subject in March, 1894. They were a worthy couple and enjoyed the esteem of all who knew them. Among their children were two daughters, one of whom, Catherine, died in childhood, and the other, Mrs. Rachel A. Edwards, resides in Newark, Ohio.

Alternating attendance at the public schools with work on the home place, Stephen W. Miles grew to manhood. Since 1845 he has resided on his present farm, which is a model country place, improved with a beautiful residence and convenient surroundings. For the past five years he has rented the land to tenants, though he still retains a portion, upon which he engages in mixed farming. He was first married to Levina Gray, who died, leaving a daughter one year old. This child, Melissa A., is now the wife of Frank Dush, a farmer living in Hillsdale County, Mich. The second wife of Mr. Miles bore the maiden name of Lydia Wilkin and died October 5, 1888, leaving one child, William Henry, at present a student in Ada College, at Ada, Ohio. December 1, 1892, Mr. Miles was united in marriage with Mrs. Mary E. (Bell) King, who was born in Licking County in June, 1841, and who, prior to her union with our subject, had been twice married and twice widowed.

During the late war Mr. Miles was a stanch supporter of the Union, but being physically incapacitated for service by reason of the loss of an eye, he furnished a substitute and in every way possible promoted the cause of the Union. Through industry and economy he has accumulated a fine property, all of which he has purchased himself, excepting a small tract inherited from his father. In religious views he is liberal, but is in sympathy with the work of the church. Politically, he votes with the Democratic party. In his social connections he is identified with Acacia Lodge No. 464, A. F. & A. M., of which he has been Treasurer, and is a charter member.

JOSEPH M. ICKES. The reputation of this gentleman is not confined to Newark, his home and the center of his business interests, but through his work it has extended much further. Still young in years, he is one of those of whom it may be said that he carries "an old head on young shoulders." As managing editor of the Newark Daily and Weekly *Tribune*, he brings to his responsible position unerring judgment and a large fund of general information The Daily is an eight-column folio and has probably the largest circulation of any daily paper in the county. The Weekly, which is also popular among the people of this section, is a six-column, twelve-page paper, devoted to matters of social, business, religious and political import.

Born in Sandusky County, Ohio, October 24, 1857, our subject is the son of Daniel and Delilah (Zimmers) Ickes, natives of Bedford County, Pa., where they were reared and married. Emigrating to Ohio in 1848, they settled in Sandusky County, where they still reside (1894), the father seventy-six and the mother seventy-two years old. After many years spent upon their farm they now live retired in the village of Helena, in the enjoyment of all the comforts of life. In politics the father is a stanch Republican and in his younger years was an active worker in the party ranks. In religious belief he and his good wife are identified with the United Brethren Church.

Among six sons and three daughters comprising the family, Joseph M. Ickes is the seventh in order of birth. He was reared on the home farm and at the age of eighteen began to teach during the winter season, spending his summers in farm work. When twenty he entered the National Normal University at Lebanon, Ohio, and was graduated

in the scientific department with the Class of '80. Later he was for one year Principal of the schools at Martinsburg, Ohio, after which he was elected Superintendent of Schools of Utica, Ohio, which position he held for four years.

Having always cherished a fondness for newspaper work, Mr. Ickes yielded to a desire to enter the field of journalism and purchased a one-half interest in the Newark *American*, of which he was business manager for six years. On the 19th of December, 1889, he was appointed Postmaster at Newark, which position he filled in a most efficient manner for three and one-half years, resigning under a change of administration. Subsequently a stock company was formed, which purchased the Daily and Weekly *Tribune*, then in the hands of a receiver. The paper was then at a low ebb, and it was no small task to build up its credit and influence as an organ of the Republican party in this community. Such Mr. Ickes has done since becoming the managing editor, and the remarkable success of the paper proves his ability as a financier and editor.

In June, 1884, Mr. Ickes married Mrs. Arminta B. (Bradway) Sellers, and they are the parents of three daughters, Edith, Ada and Marguerite. In religious belief they are members of the Second Presbyterian Church, and in social circles are prominent and popular. Mr. Ickes is identified with the Knights of Pythias and the Royal Arcanum. Both as a public-spirited citizen and successful newspaper man he is highly regarded by all his acquaintances.

PROFESSOR ALMON UNDERWOOD THRESHER, of Granville, is a native of Stafford, Conn., and was born October 9, 1840, to Thomas Hubbard and Palace (Underwood) Thresher, the former born in Connecticut, and the latter in Massachusetts. The paternal grandmother of Mr. Thresher traced her ancestry back in a direct line to John Alden and Priscilla Mullen, who came to the New World in the "Mayflower." The father of our subject was a farmer by occupation and spent his entire life on the farm where he was born.

The boyhood days of Almon U. Thresher were spent upon the home farm and in attending the public schools. At the age of eighteen years he entered the Munson (Mass.) Academy for the purpose of preparing himself for a collegiate course. For four winter terms he engaged in teaching school in order to defray the expenses of a college education. He then became a student at Amherst College, of Amherst, Mass., from which he was graduated with the Class of '65. In August of the same year he came to Granville and accepted a position as teacher in the preparatory department of Denison University, remaining one year. He then taught one year in Wyman's University, of St. Louis.

In September, 1867, Professor Thresher was called to the Chair of Rhetoric and English Literature in Denison University, and occupied that position for twenty-five years, laboring earnestly and faithfully, and performing the duties with ability and to the satisfaction alike of associates and students. Probably no member of the faculty labored more indefatigably for the promotion of the students and the best interests of the university than did he. A quarter of a century of earnest, unceasing toil proved too much for his physical strength, and owing to failing health he resigned his professorship in July, 1892.

After severing his connection with the university, Professor Thresher spent the following year in Europe, where he recuperated his lost strength and also availed himself of the opportunity to visit many places famous in the world of letters and art. He returned to the United States with invigorated health and renewed energies. Aside from his professional duties, he has found time to devote to other enterprises. He was for ten years Secretary of the Ohio Baptist Education Society and Curator of the university grounds for fourteen years. He was also one of the constituent members of the Shepardson College Board, and served as its Secretary until he

resigned prior to going abroad. In the organization of the Building & Loan Association of Granville he assisted, was its first President, serving for four years, and secured the organization known as the Village Improvement Association. In politics a Republican, he has supported that party since casting his first Presidential vote for Lincoln in 1864. For several years he was a member of the Village Council.

In November, 1870, Professor Thresher married Miss Mary I. Abbott, daughter of Judge Elizur Abbott, a prominent citizen of Granville, mention of whom is made elsewhere in this work. Mrs. Thresher was graduated from the Granville Female College, and taught music in that institution and elsewhere for several years. She is a lady of culture, who has been of inestimable assistance to her husband in his professional and literary labors.

BRICE S. TAYLOR. Among the farmers of Mary Ann Township this gentleman occupies a position of influence. His estate, while not one of the largest, is numbered among the most fertile and finely improved places in the county, and has been embellished with all the modern improvements, including a cozy residence, commodious barn, and all other outbuildings necessary for the shelter of stock and storage of grain. Mr. Taylor is also a good type of the noble volunteers of the late war who responded to the call for troops, enlisted in the service of the Union, and with the boys in blue marched to the front, enduring perils and hardships innumerable, nor resting from these untiring labors until the Stars and Stripes once more waved over a free and undivided nation.

Referring to the parental history of our subject, we note that he is the second among seven children comprising the family of David and Hannah (Murphy) Taylor, natives respectively of Morgan and Belmont Counties, Ohio. Of the other members of the family the following are noted: James F., who for a number of years engaged in teaching and also followed a mechanical trade, is now engaged in farming near Zanesville and is married; Mary, who became the wife of Thomas Palmer, died in Mary Ann Township, leaving several children; Flora, the wife of John Larrabee, lives in Mary Ann Township. Rosa married Henry Williams and died in 1888. Victoria, the wife of Simeon Houdeshell, lives in Iowa. David J. married Harriet Nichols and lives in Newark, Ohio, where he follows the carpenter's trade.

In Morgan County, Ohio, the subject of this sketch was born January 12, 1846. He accompanied his parents from Ohio to Missouri, later to Arkansas, and returning to the Buckeye State, resided with them in various counties, finally locating in Mary Ann Township, Licking County, when he was twenty years old. His education was secured in the public schools of the several counties where he resided. At Norwich, Muskingum County, February 27, 1864, he enlisted as a member of Company D, Seventy-eighth Ohio Infantry, being then eighteen years of age. He was assigned to duty in the Second Brigade, Third Division, Seventeenth Army Corps, in the Army of the Tennessee under General Sherman.

In the various engagements with which his regiment was connected, Mr. Taylor took a prominent part. He was in the battles of Big Shanty Station and Kenesaw Mountain, marching thence to Atlanta, Ga., where July 21 he participated in the famous charge on that city. His company lost half of its men in this engagement, but succeeded in capturing a line of works. After the siege of Atlanta he accompanied General Sherman on the march to the sea, traveling from Savannah to Beaufort, S. C., and having almost daily skirmishes with Confederates. From Goldsboro, N. C., the regiment marched to Columbia, S. C., and thence across both the Carolinas, finally reaching Washington in time to participate in the Grand Review. July 15, 1865, he was discharged at Columbus, Ohio, returning from Washington, D. C., via

Louisville, Ky., where the company encamped for about five weeks before mustered out.

Returning home after the war Mr. Taylor commenced to work on his father's farm in Muskingum County, whence the family removed to Licking County in March, 1866. Here the wife and mother died in October, 1889. The father went to California, where his death occurred. Brice S. remained in Licking County, and January 31, 1867, he was united in marriage with Miss Susan C. Hunter, a resident of Chandlersville, Muskingum County, Ohio. This estimable lady is the second among three children constituting the family of William and Susan (Newman) Hunter, who were of Irish and German ancestry respectively, and were residents of Muskingum County, Ohio, the father, a native of Ireland and the mother of Ohio. Mr. Hunter died in Muskingum County in 1857; his widow survived him for many years, passing away in Licking County March 7, 1894. Mrs. Taylor has one sister and one brother. The former, Sarah, is the wife of Joseph Tolbert, a farmer of Muskingum County, and they have three children. The brother, Harrison W., a farmer by occupation, married Lucy Breckenridge, and they with their children live in New Sharon, Mahaska County, Iowa.

The union of Mr. and Mrs. Taylor has been blessed by the birth of two children. Frank H., who was born November 10, 1867, married Miss Flora Nethers and is now a resident of Newark, this state. He and his wife have one child, Daisy F., now five years old, a bright and charming child, who is the pride not only of her parents, but of her fond grandparents as well. The only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, Minnie B., was born December 15, 1873, and died August 9, 1887. The religious home of the family is in the Disciples' Church, and they are foremost in its good works.

By industry and economy Mr. Taylor has accumulated a competence and owns his farm of eighty-five and one-half acres, in addition to a business and residence block in Newark. He is a pensioner of the late war and a member of the Grand Army of the Republic. For a time he held membership in the Federation of Labor, but does not now affiliate with the organization. In his political views he is a stanch Republican and served for eleven years as Justice of the Peace in Mary Ann Township. Previous to locating on his present farm he sold another estate in the same township and removed to Newark. In 1893 he removed from Newark to his present location, where he expects to make his permanent home.

OLIVER PRESCOTT SOOK, M. D., of Newark, is a representative of four nationalities, his paternal grandfather having been of German birth, his paternal grandmother, Letitia McAfee, Irish, his maternal grandfather a Welsh clergyman, and his maternal grandmother, Lydia Newport, an English Quakeress. The paternal grandparents Zook (as the name was then spelled) died on board a vessel en route to America, leaving two sons, Henry M. and Peter.

When the orphaned boys landed in America among strangers they were taken and cared for by two different families, Henry M. being reared by a Catholic family in Maryland, and Peter by a family in Pennsylvania. The family with whom the former resided changed the spelling of his name to Sook, and when he afterward met his brother they mutually agreed to adopt this style. Henry M. was apprenticed to learn the trade of a saddler, which he followed more or less throughout his entire life, being considered the best manufacturer of horse collars in all the country round.

While Henry M. Sook was yet a young man the teachings of Dr. Samuel Hahnemann were being published, and he being attracted by them, was soon an ardent student, and thus became one of the early homeopathic physicians. Afterward he settled in Knoxville, Ohio, where he healed the sick without charge, depending upon his trade for a livelihood. He never asked for remuneration for medical advice, but frequently was the recipient of favors from those whom he treated. He

died at the age of ninety years. Although reared in a Catholic family, he never adopted that faith, but was a believer in and a follower of the teachings of Swedenborg.

Unto Henry M. Sook and his wife, Letitia, were born three sons and three daughters, viz.: Henry L., James, Joseph, Letitia, Nancy and Lavinia. Of these Henry L. was born in Allegheny County, Pa., and came with the family to Ohio, where he learned the trades of a saddler and a cooper. However, not being satisfied with either, he read medicine and entered upon the practice of his profession, which for more than forty years he followed in Steubenville, Pomeroy, Newark and Cleveland. He died in 1892, at the age of seventy years.

The marriage of Henry L. Sook united him with Miss Mary, daughter of Rev. David Powell. She died in 1854, leaving three children, of whom our subject is the eldest; Mary is a physician and the wife of Dr. William Thompson, of Cleveland, Ohio. Henry is a lawyer of Los Angeles, Cal. The subject of this sketch was born in Steubenville, Ohio, October 6, 1843, and was educated in the academy of his native town. Under the guidance of his father he conducted his medical studies and with him he entered upon the practice of the profession. In 1871 he was graduated from the Homeopathic Hospital College, now known as the Cleveland University of Medicine and Surgery, of which school his father, sister, brother-in-law and son are also graduates.

Opening an office in Newark in 1869, Dr. Sook has since conducted an extensive practice and is well known throughout the entire county as a skillful and reliable physician. His office is at his residence, which is situated at the northwest corner of Third and Locust Streets and is among the finest in the city. In addition to this property he owns a valuable farm, which is stocked with fine cattle and blooded horses. The success which he has attained is the result of his unaided efforts. He paid his way through college without assistance from any one, and his success has been achieved solely through merit.

Socially the Doctor is a member of the subordinate and encampment lodges of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and also belongs to the Royal Arcanum, Ancient Order of United Workmen and Grand Army of the Republic. During the late war he served as a member of the Ohio National Guards, and in 1864 saw four months of active service. The demands of his profession have consumed his time to the exclusion of public affairs, but he advocates the principles of the Republican party on all occasions, though not active in its ranks. He has often contributed articles to the medical journals and keeps abreast with the most recent discoveries in the medical world.

In Newark, Ohio, December 29, 1864, occurred the marriage of Dr. Sook and Miss Lois A. Abbott. This estimable lady was born in Cohoes, N. Y., April 12, 1845, and is the daughter of George and Rosella (Jewett) Abbott. The union has resulted in the birth of four children, as follows: Joseph R. Sook, M. D., residing in Newark, Ohio; Gertrude; Mary, the wife of W. D. Sauters, and Helen O. The family is prominent in social circles and highly esteemed wherever known.

REV. CHARLES RHOADS. The record of the life of this gentleman will be read with interest, not only from the fact that he occupies a position of prominence among the citizens of Granville, but also on account of the fact that it illustrates the power of self-reliance and untiring perseverance. Early obliged to become self-supporting, contact with the world developed in him the traits of energy, industry and determination, which are among his prominent characteristics. A resident of Granville since 1872, he is now, and for the past twenty-five years has been, Sunday-school Secretary of Ohio, and representative of the American Baptist Publication Society.

Born in Philadelphia May 23, 1832, Charles

Rhoads is the descendant of English and Irish ancestors, and the son of Thomas and Ann (Littleboy) Rhoads, both of whom were natives of Philadelphia. The first ten years of his life were spent in his native city, where he attended school a few years. However, his education has been acquired almost entirely by self-culture, and the broad range of information he now possesses proves his untiring industry and studious application. His mother died when he was a child, and he early learned that he must fight the battles of life alone and unaided. He was only ten when he began to make his own way in the world.

Going to Virginia, Mr. Rhoads supported himself by whatever honest employment he could find. He succeeded in getting one year's schooling, and while thus engaged studied, among other branches, civil engineering, a practical and thorough knowledge of which he afterward acquired by private study. Early in 1852 he began the publication of a newspaper in Parkersburg, Va., and continued its editor and proprietor for ten years, after which he taught about four terms of school. He then took up civil engineering as a profession and followed that vocation for about seven years. For the past quarter of a century, as already stated, he has been representative of the American Baptist Publication Society, and has also held the responsible and important position of State Sunday-school Secretary of Ohio.

At present Mr. Rhoads devotes his time almost exclusively to institute work. His field of labor is not circumscribed, but extends into surrounding states. He has held over fifteen hundred institutes, varying from two to six days each. Much of his time is necessarily occupied in traveling, and he delivers annually nearly one thousand addresses and sermons. Probably no man has in the same time performed a greater amount of work of similar kind than has he. For his position he is admirably qualified both mentally and physically. He has inherited a strong constitution, capable of long endurance. He possesses a splendid physique, a commanding presence and pleasing address. Laborious and self-reliant, he exhibits his strong individuality both by word and deed. Strong in his convictions, he is equally frank and fearless in expressing his views.

Politically, Mr. Rhoads is a pronounced Prohibitionist, and has served as Chairman of the county organization, also been a candidate for Congress on that ticket. At Parkersburg, Va., August 17, 1852, he married Miss Grace M. Dudley, a native of Connecticut. They have had five children, but three are deceased. Dudley, who was graduated from Denison University in 1876, is a civil engineer by profession; for some years he was in the employ of the Santa Fe Railway Company, and is now a resident of St. Louis. The only living daughter, Jennie, is the wife of Prof. Ira M. Price, Ph. D., now of the Chicago University.

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HON. WILLIAM BELL, JR. In presenting to the readers of this volume the biography of Mr. Bell, we are perpetuating the life record of one of the most influential men of Ohio, and one who has occupied many of the most honored positions within the gift of the people. Throughout his long and eventful career he has maintained the integrity and energy characteristic of his youth. Nor has his success been merely that of gaining prominence among his fellow-citizens, but he has also been successful in serving others, in doing good and in winning the confidence of his associates.

Referring to the ancestry of Mr. Bell, we find that the family of which he is a member is of Scotch-Irish origin, and was represented in America during Colonial days. His father, Samuel Bell, was born in Greene County, Pa., in 1800, and was about fifteen when the family settled in Knox County, Ohio, within a half-mile of the farm where he made his home for about seventy years. He married Elizabeth Hanger, a native of Augusta County, Va., who accompanied her parents to Knox County, Ohio, in 1810.

In boyhood the subject of this notice attended the common schools, and at the age of twenty entered Martinsburg Academy, where his education was completed. In 1852, when but twenty-three years of age, he was elected to his first public position, that of Sheriff. At the expiration of his term he was appointed Postmaster at Newark by President Franklin Pierce, and again by President James Buchanan. In 1858 he was again elected Sheriff, and was honored by re-election two years later. Afterward for three successive terms, from 1861 until 1870, he served as Auditor of the county.

With such ability had Mr. Bell served the people of the county that he had been brought conspicuously before the people of his district, who, recognizing his admirable fitness for public service, elected him to represent them in the Lower House of the State Legislature, and in 1873 he was re-elected to that responsible position. As a member of the House, he won an enviable reputation as an efficient and able legislator, and attracted the attention of the Democracy of the state. In 1874, when his party wished to select as its nominees for state offices men of distinguished ability and great popularity, his name was brought forward as a candidate for Secretary of State. The Democratic Convention at Columbus nominated him for this honored office, to which he was elected by seventeen thousand majority. It is a matter of history that he was the first Democrat for twenty years who was elected to a state office in Ohio by a handsome majority over all opposition. In 1876 he was nominated by acclamation for the same office.

This was the year of the hotly contested Presidential election, when party lines were closely drawn, and he was, as a consequence, defeated by a small vote.

In 1877 Gov. R. M. Bishop appointed Mr. Bell Commissioner of Railroads and Telegraphs, saying, with reference to the matter, that he had partially promised the position to another man, but had received thousands of letters from all parts of the state requesting the appointment of Hon. William Bell, Jr. Recognizing the fact that he was probably the most popular man in Ohio, he deemed it his duty to appoint him to the position. In that office Mr. Bell served until the election of Governor Foster, when his term expired.

Having removed to Columbus in 1874, at the Democratic Convention of Franklin County, September 3, 1881, Mr. Bell was nominated to represent the county in the Lower House, and was subsequently elected. During the term of his service he served on numerous important committees, including those on Imbecile Asylum, on Penitentiary and on Rules. After his removal to Newark he was elected Mayor, in which position he instituted a number of needed municipal reforms and promoted the best interests of the city. Although admitted to the Bar in 1872 by the Supreme Court, his public duties have been such as to preclude active attention to his practice. In 1892 he was elected County Auditor, and in 1893 entered upon the duties of a three years' term.

On New Year's Day of 1856, Mr. Bell married Miss Elizabeth A., the daughter of James M. Ocheltree, formerly a resident of Newark, but now deceased. Three children bless this union: Samuel C.; Virginia, who married Frank Merion, of Columbus; and Maggie O., the wife of A. W. Knox. Mr. Bell is now sixty-five years of age, but in excellent health, both physically and mentally, and looks as young as a man of fifty.

DAVID E. LLOYD. There is not a resident of Licking County living within a radius of ten miles of Wilkin's Run who is not familiar with the name of the subject of this biographical notice. He is a genial, open-hearted gentleman, an interesting conversationalist and one with whom it is a pleasure to meet. At the present time, and for some years past, he has conducted a blacksmith and general repair shop in the village where he makes his home.

A native of this county, our subject was born August 7, 1853, and is the youngest son of David and Mary (Jones) Lloyd, natives of Montgomeryshire, North Wales. The paternal grandfather, Cadwalader Lloyd, engaged in farming pursuits throughout his entire active life and passed away in Wales in 1817; his wife, who survived him for many years, also died in her native country. David Lloyd, Sr., married in Wales and thence with his young wife emigrated to America in 1847, at the age of twenty-five years. Prior to coming to this country he had served an apprenticeship at the trade of a blacksmith, which he has followed throughout his entire life. Politically he is a Democrat and an ardent supporter of party principles. In his social affiliations he was connected with the Ancient Order of Odd Fellows in Wales, but has not identified himself with the organization in the United States. His home has been in Licking County ever since his emigration to this country.

Nine children comprised the parental family, and of that number there now survive two sons and two daughters. John, the eldest, is a blacksmith in Columbus, Ohio; he married Dove Durr and they have two children; Clara and Emma reside with their parents; Mary died at the age of twenty-five years; and Caddie passed away when five years old. Three children died in infancy. The father of this family operates a general blacksmith and repair shop three miles south of Newark, where he has made his home since about 1850.

Under his father's guidance and assistance our subject learned the blacksmith's trade and established himself in business near the Orphans' Home in East Newark, where he remained for twenty months. Later he worked in Newark with his brother for one year, removing thence to Perry County and carrying on a shop near Thornville for two years. In 1881 he came to Wilkin's Run, where he has since owned and managed a general

blacksmith and repair shop. He now owns a beautiful home and several acres of land at Wilkin's Run and is a prosperous and successful man. In youth he "sowed his wild oats," as is too often the custom among young men, but with mature years have come better judgment and firmer principles, and consequently he has been enabled to lay by a snug sum for the proverbial "rainy day." He has never married, but makes his home with the family of Franklin Wilkin, with whom he has resided for the past twelve years.

JONATHAN VICTOR HILLIARD, attorney-at-law and an influential citizen of Newark, was born in Upper Sandusky, Ohio, March 3, 1856. Of his ancestors little is known except that for several generations they resided in New York State. His father, Franklin Hilliard, was born in the Empire State and grew to manhood upon a farm, receiving a collegiate education. He read law, was admitted to the Bar and opened an office for the practice of the profession in New York.

While yet a young man Franklin Hilliard came to Ohio and settled at Upper Sandusky, where he taught school. During the administration of James Buchanan he was appointed Postmaster at Upper Sandusky, and by the same executive was appointed Government Surveyor. In 1859 he went to Kansas and was engaged in surveying at Leavenworth and Wyandotte. At the outbreak of the war in 1861 he joined Company C, Second Kansas Cavalry. In February, 1862, while on a scouting expedition with other members of the company, they were pressed hard by Indians and bushwhackers. He was riding a spirited horse, which in the chase threw him over a stake and rider fence, and he was left for dead by the pursuers, although he was conscious all the time.

On the day after the accident the injured man was picked up by a farmer, who took him to his house and cared for him. Meantime his company supposed he had been killed. After weeks of suffering he recovered sufficiently to be taken to his home by the farmer. His illness continued until July, when he passed away at his home in Wyandotte. The injuries he received resulted in the formation of a large tumor, which was removed at his death and was found to weigh fifty-two and one half pounds. His mortal remains were buried with military honors in the west cemetery of Wyandotte. Throughout his entire life he was a stanch Democrat and "stumped" the state of New York during the campaign of 1856.

The mother of our subject was Rachel A. McCafferty. She was born in Licking County, being the daughter of John and Mary McCafferty. Her grandfather, who was a native of Scotland, married an Irish woman, and emigrating to the United States, settled in Pennsylvania, where John McCafferty was born. The latter came to Ohio, locating on a farm on the reservoir in Licking County, here married and passed his remaining years, dying at the age of seventy-seven. His wife, who survived him for ten years, died in Birmingham, Ala., and they now lie buried side by side in the Reynoldsburg Cemetery. Both were earnest Christians and members of the Old School Baptist Church, in which he was prominent. In politics he was a Democrat. His disposition was kind and charitable, and while he never sought prominence, he became widely and favorably known.

After the death of Franklin Hilliard the family continued to live in Wyandotte, Kan., until 1865, when they returned to Ohio and settled upon a farm in Licking County. Less than a year afterward Mrs. Hilliard returned to the Sunflower State, where she married John Akers, who had been a soldier in the Union army. With him she settled in Kickapoo City, Kan., where he died in 1879. Three years later she returned to Ohio and made her home with our subject until she married Richard D. Oldham, of this county. She passed away August 8, 1888. Her religious connections were with the Methodist Episcopal Church at Alexandria, Ohio.

Four children constituted the family of Franklin and Rachel Hilliard, of whom our subject is third

in order of birth. David C., the eldest, is a farmer and carpenter residing in Lithopolis, Ohio; he is married and has three children. Mary A., who became the wife of Godfrey G. Niceley, lives on a farm near West Jefferson, Ohio; Arisa Jane married Dr. Woodard and lives at Carterville, Mo. The subject of this sketch remained with his mother until 1865, but when the family returned to Ohio he went to live with his maternal great-grandfather, David Westenbarger, a resident of Fairfield County, Ohio. He was reared upon a farm and attended the Reynoldsburg Academy. Before he was fifteen he received a teacher's certificate, but his great-grandfather objected to his commencing teaching at so early an age. However, when but sixteen he entered upon the life of a teacher, and taught and attended school alternately as his means would permit After the death of his great-grandfather, in 1873, he made his own way in the world.

Graduating in the classical course from Reynoldsburg Academy in 1874, Mr. Hilliard was afterward Superintendent of Schools in Centerville, Delaware County, Ohio, for two years. He then entered the Delaware University, completing the course there in 1876. In 1877 he married Miss Mary A. Algeo, at Kirkersville, Ohio, and immediately afterward removed to Alexandria, Ohio, where he was Superintendent of Schools for four years. In 1881 the Probate Judge, George Grasser, appointed him one of the School Examiners of Licking County, in which capacity he served for six years.

Removing to Hartford, Mr. Hilliard was Superintendent of Schools there for six years. He became prominent in the public affairs of that place and was chosen its Mayor, which responsible position he filled efficiently for two terms. For a time he was also Assistant Postmaster. November 2, 1886, he was elected Recorder of Licking County, which office he filled for six years, removing to Newark in January, 1887, and at once entering upon the duties of the office. While Recorder he read law with Swartz & Allen, and was admitted to the Bar December 5, 1892, entering upon practice January 2 of the following year.

While Recorder Mr. Hilliard took considerable interest in the Sons of Veterans and in 1890 was candidate for Colonel at the state encampment, receiving a good support. In 1891, at the state encampment at Toledo, he was elected Colonel of the Division and served for one year, delivering over the office at the encampment in Chillicothe. During his official service the debts of the Division, amounting to $1,500, were all paid. He turned over the Colonelcy with a membership of more than seven thousand. At the Mansfield Encampment in 1890 he was elected delegate-at-large to the National Encampment held at St. Joseph, Mo., and has attended all the conventions since that time.

Politically Mr. Hilliard is a Democrat and an ardent worker in the ranks. Socially he belongs to Hebron Lodge No. 116, A. F. & A. M., Clinton Chapter No. 26, R. A. M., Clinton Commandery No. 5, K. T., Lodge No. 13, K. of P., in which he is Past Chancellor, the Improved Order of Red Men, in which he has attained the Pocahontas degree, the Knights of Labor, in which he has filled all the chairs, and the National Fraternal Union. He is identified with the Congregational Church, while his wife is a Baptist.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Hilliard are, Atwell Sherman, Alma Elizabeth, Halleck Franklin, Gladys Evalena, Bright and Josephine Enlalia. Mr. Hilliard is a large real-estate owner, a stockholder in the savings bank and in various building and loan associations. The family residence, which is one of the most palatial in the city, is located on an eminence at No. 594 West Main Street.

WALLACE WILKIN is a successful agriculturist of Madison Township, and is engaged in general farming and stock-raising on section 6. He is a native of Ohio, having been born in Wyandot County, October 11, 1857, and is the only child of John and Lucinda (Halsey) Wilkin. The father, who was born in

Licking County November 16, 1826, was called from earth in 1858, at the early age of thirty-one years, his death occurring in Wyandot County. The mother, who was of German lineage, was also born in Wyandot County, where she died two weeks previous to the demise of her husband, at the age of twenty-two years.

Thus sadly bereaved ere he was old enough to realize his great loss, the subject of this biographical notice was adopted into the family of his uncle, Franklin Wilkin, whose sketch is presented elsewhere in this volume. Under the kind care of that gentleman, Wallace grew to manhood and entered upon the occupation which his ancestors for generations before him had pursued, that of agriculture. His education in youth was limited to a comparatively brief attendance in the public schools of this county, but through self-culture he has become well informed.

December 22, 1882, Wallace Wilkin was united in marriage with Miss Ella Hamilton, who was born in this county April 13, 1859. Two children resulted from this union, the elder of whom, Franklin, was born July 22, 1887, and died in infancy. The younger, Ray H., who was born November 30, 1890, is a bright child, the pride and joy of his fond parents. Mr. Wilkin inherited from his father two hundred and thirty acres of land in Wyandot County, which he disposed of, and purchased his present farm. Here he owns two hundred and thirty acres of fertile land under a high state of cultivation, upon which he raises the various cereals and also all kinds of stock. He now has a number of thoroughbred Poland-China hogs on the place. The value of the property is enhanced by the commodious modern residence, as well as the capacious barns and other outbuildings, all substantially built and roofed with slate.

Socially, Mr. Wilkin is identified with Acacia Lodge No. 464, A. F. & A. M., at Wilkin's Run, in which he has held various official positions, including those of Treasurer, Junior and Senior Deacon and Senior Warden. He is not identified with any religious organization, but contributes to the work of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which his wife is a member. In politics he gives the weight of his influence to the platform adopted by the Democratic party, which he believes the best adapted to the welfare of the country. He is well informed upon the great questions of the present age, and is one of the best posted men in the township. For five years he served as Trustee of Madison Township, and has rendered acceptable service in other official capacities.

WILLIAM MACY BLACK. The business interests of Granville have an able representative in the subject of this sketch, who is a successful coal merchant and one of the foremost citizens of the place. His biography, which we now briefly review, affords an illustration of the fact that industry and good judgment will almost invariably bring their possessor abundant material success, although he may begin his business career without friends or capital.

A native of this state, Mr. Black was born at Sinking Springs, Highland County, August 10, 1857, and is of Scotch-Irish descent. His parents, Findley and Eliza Ann Burgess (Kerr) Black, were natives of Adams County, Ohio, and the former was a carpenter by trade. However, he learned the art of photography, and followed that occupation for some years preceding his death, which occurred early in the year 1884. The same year the widowed mother removed to Granville, where she still resides.

In the common schools of his native village, W. M. Black received a fair education. On attaining his majority he began life for himself empty-handed. In 1878 he came to Granville, where for nearly two years he was employed by his uncle, W. P. Kerr, then President of the Female Seminary. Afterward he spent one summer in Iowa, working as a farm laborer. January 1, 1881, he returned to Granville and embarked in the coal and draying business, in which he has since been

successfully engaged, and to which he has recently added the running of a hack, the only one in the place.

Socially, Mr. Black is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Ancient Order of United Workmen, and takes considerable interest in the work of these organizations. Politically he is a supporter of the Democratic party, believing that its principles will best enhance the prosperity of the country. He is entitled to the respect of all who know him, as by his own unaided efforts he has achieved success as the result of industry, perseverance and business sagacity.

HERMAN E. SAMSON, M. D., settled in Newark November 3, 1868, and here he has since resided with the exception of eighteen months spent in Kansas. He was born in Mina Township, Chautauqua County, N. Y., May 22, 1830, and is the son of George and Lucinda (Camp) Samson, natives respectively of Vermont and Massachusetts. The first representative of the family in America was his great-grandfather, George Samson, who came from England and settled in Vermont, where Grandfather George Samson was born; the latter was for many years a clergyman in the Baptist Church.

In an early day the father of our subject removed from Vermont to New York and settled in the woods of Chautauqua County, where he cleared and improved a farm. While residing there his house was burned to the ground and one child was lost. Later he removed to Byron Center, Genesee County, where he followed the trade of a cooper. He was similarly engaged in Ohio, whither he came in 1848, sojourning for one year in Granville and several years at Alexandria and Delaware. His next removal was to Iowa City, Iowa, and thence he went to Mt. Pleasant, the same state, where his death occurred in January, 1861, at the age of sixty years. His wife survived him a number of years.

In the parental family there were four sons and three daughters who reached mature years. They were: Alfred, who died in Batavia, N. Y.; Herman E., our subject; Maria, who died unmarried; William H., a soldier in the Union army, belonging to an Iowa regiment, and who died in Kansas; Sarah, who became the wife of a minister residing in California; Andrew C., a soldier in an Iowa regiment during the late war, and a physician by profession, who when last heard from was in Colorado; and Isabelle, who is married and lives in Los Angeles, Cal. The parents were worthy Christian people, and active members of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Between the years of four and eighteen, the subject of this notice lived in Genesee County, N. Y., where he worked on a farm for $6 per month, and also assisted his father in the cooper's shop. He accompanied the family to Ohio, and at Alexandria commenced to read medicine, which he afterward practiced with his preceptor. In 1855 he went to Iowa and opened an office in Washington County, also spending one year at Tipton. Upon his return to the Buckeye State he settled at Hartford, where he practiced his profession for three years. In 1864 he went back to Alexandria, where he again formed a partnership with his former preceptor, continuing in that way for a few years. He then traveled for a drug house for one year, after which he came to Newark. Here he has since been a prominent and successful physician, taking rank among the foremost practitioners of the county. For two years he had an office in Columbus, but also retained his practice in this city.

In August, 1851, Dr. Samson married Miss Bettie D., daughter of David Buxton, and a native of Vermont, though at the time of her marriage a resident of Alexandria, Ohio. They have four children: Belle, who married James E. Upham, of Newark; Oscar B., a resident of this city; Jennie, wife of Cara Ferguson, of Columbus, Ohio; and Frank B., who lives in Newark. In connection with his practice, the Doctor carries on a drug business at this place, so that he has little leisure for outside affairs. However, he takes an intelli-

gent interest in political matters, and supports the principles of the Republican party with fidelity and energy. He is a member of the Physio-Medical Association of Physicians and Surgeons of Ohio, and has enjoyed the distinction of serving as its President, in which responsible position he was instrumental in promoting the growth and usefulness of the organization.

WILLIAM P. DEBEVOISE, an effieient and successful agriculturist residing on section 24, Mary Ann Township, was born in Licking County one mile east of his present home, the date of his birth being March 4, 1842. He is the fourth in the family of eight children born to Courtland and Margaret (Lamberson) Debevoise, both of whom were natives of New York City and were there married. They died in Mary Ann Township, the father in 1865, at the age of fifty-nine years, and the mother in 1871, aged fifty-eight years, three months and nine days.

Of the brothers and sisters of our subject we note the following: George is a resident of Mary Ann Township; Ruth married John Penn and now lives in Missouri; Maria, Mrs. Erastus Francis, lives in Shawnee, Perry County, Ohio; David died unmarried at the age of twenty-two; Martha became the wife of Lewis Shaw and lives in Lockport, Licking County; Eliza married Thomas Ramsey and died in Delaware County, this state; John died at the age of fifteen years. The early life of our subject was spent upon his father's farm, and his education was gained in the common schools of the locality.

May 2, 1864, Mr. Debevoise enlisted in Company E, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Ohio Infantry, a regiment organized for one hundred days' service. Going with his company to Martinsburg, W. Va., he assisted in guarding the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad and there remained until he was captured by the enemy July 3, 1864. He was taken via Lynchburg to Andersonville, where he spent the ensuing ten months with the exception of short intervals when it was necessary to remove the prisoners to avoid capture. None know better than does he what it meant to be a prisoner in the dungeons of the south during the dying struggle of the Confederacy. A thousand times he suffered death, though life continued. He was the victim of scurvy, jaundice, diarrhœa, and all the ills engendered by scanty and unwholesome food, exposure to scorching sun and chilly wind without protection.

At the time of the surrender of Lee and Johnston, when the struggle of the south ended in hopeless defeat, Mr. Debevoise was turned outside the stockake, conveyed to Jacksonville, Fla., and there released. This was on the 29th of April, 1865, and he was discharged from the service on the 3d of June following. The first year after his return from the war was spent under the care of physicians, and it was not until after some years that he was able to do the lightest manual labor. To this day he suffers from the effects of imprisonment, and by reason of his many disabilities incurred when in the service of the country he is a pensioner of the Government.

September 29, 1861, previous to his enlistment in the army, Mr. Debevoise married Mary Ann Hughes, who was born in Kent, England, December 3, 1832. She is the eldest of eleven children, nine of whom are living, and all in the United States. When a child of eight years she accompanied her parents, John and Mary A. (Bourne) Hughes, from the Mother Country to Ohio, settling in Madison Township, this county. To Mr. and Mrs. Debevoise have been born two children. The elder, James Edgar, was born March 15, 1862, and has always resided with his parents, being at present in charge of the home farm. Laura Belle, who was born August 15, 1875, is being educated in the excellent public schools of the neighborhood.

In religious belief the family is identified with the United Brethren Church. Politically, Mr. Debevoise affiliates with the Republicans and

takes an active interest in public affairs. Socially he is connected with the Prisoners of the War Association, also Lemert Post No. 71, G. A. R. The farm which he owns consists of ninety-five acres of well improved and tillable land and bears all the improvements of a first-class estate.

WILLIAM DUDGEON. Thirty-four years ago, under the administration of President Buchanan, the office of Postmaster at Wilkin's Run was conferred upon the subject of this notice. To-day, under the second administration of President Cleveland, he is still serving in that capacity. Through all the intervening years he has held the position continuously, with the exception of a period of two years. Nor has he ever been called upon to renew his bond, except upon one occasion, about fifteen years ago.

A native of Ohio, our subject was born near Kenyon College, in Knox County, February 18, 1822. There he attended the subscription schools, but his educational advantages were limited on account of the fact that he was orphaned at the age of six by his father's death, which sad event left his widowed mother with nine children dependent upon her. The father, Moses Dudgeon, was born in Ireland, but emigrated to the United States in childhood and grew to mature years in New York. In company with two brothers, he came to Knox County, Ohio, where he wooed and won Miss Rebecca Humphreys. Their wedding was solemnized in their own log cabin in Knox County in 1817, and upon that farm they continued to reside until the death of the father, in 1828. The mother remained there about forty-two years afterward, when she went to live with her son Abram. She died in 1888, at the ripe old age of eighty-nine.

Their family of five sons and four daughters were all born in the log cabin in Knox County, where the parents were married. Of the family, five are now living. Hugh, the eldest, was born in 1818, and now resides in Princeton, Wis.; Sarah, who married Dr. Williams, had one child, a son, and died after three years of wedded life; Elizabeth, now Mrs. Burkholder, lives in Centreburgh, Knox County; the next in order of birth were our subject and his twin sister, Mary Ann, the latter of whom died unmarried in 1890; Jacob now resides in Licking County; Abram and Isaac were twins the former now living in Sunbury, Delaware County, Ohio, while the latter is deceased; Rebecca died in early childhood.

In this county, in 1845, William Dudgeon married Miss Sarah A. Albaugh, who was born here in November, 1822. Four children bless the union. Frank B., a farmer, born October 16, 1856, married Mary E. Nichols, and they have three daughters, the eldest twelve years of age; Laura J., who married Edward Magher, resides in Columbia Grove, Putnam County, Ohio; Ora M. married William Richards, a farmer residing in Mary Ann Township; and John W., a successful farmer, married Ida Nichols, and they live with his parents.

Prior to 1860 Mr. Dudgeon was engaged in farming and stock-raising, but during that year he purchased a stock of general merchandise and engaged in business at Wilkin's Run, which he has continued to the present day. As above stated, he was appointed Postmaster at Wilkin's Run during President Buchanan's administration, and still holds the office. He has always taken an active part in political affairs and votes with the Democratic party. For six years he served as Assessor of his township. Socially, he is a Mason and a charter member of Acacia Lodge No. 464, at Wilkin's Run, in which he has filled all the offices except that of Worshipful Master. He is liberal in his religious views, but attends the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which his good wife is a member.

Beginning in life without capital, by industry and economy Mr. Dudgeon had accumulated $800 prior to 1860. This money he invested in his mercantile business, and since then has been reason-

ably successful. While he has not gained great wealth, he has had sufficient to give his children excellent advantages, and still reserve enough to provide the declining years of himself and wife with every comfort that will contribute to their happiness and well-being.

ROBERT B. STONE. One of the most beautiful tracts of land in Licking County consists of two hundred and five acres located in the township of Newton. It has been owned by the subject of this biographical notice for nearly a quarter of a century, and by thorough tillage and good management has been the source of a good income. The soil is naturally fertile and has been developed to its full capacity; all needful buildings have been erected and the natural beauty of the scenery enhanced by tasteful structures and orderly arrangement.

Born near the village of Denton, in Orange County, N. Y., September 26, 1838, our subject is the son of Uriah and Mary (Dodge) Stone. His childhood years were passed in the county of his birth, whence he removed with his parents to Broome County, N. Y., and there remained for ten years. His educational advantages were limited, but being a man of close observation and considerable fondness for reading, he has acquired a broad information upon topics of current interest. While living in Broome County he learned the trade of a blacksmith, which he followed there for some time, but which he was not sufficiently fond of to continue for his life occupation.

The year 1865 witnessed the advent of Mr. Stone in Licking County and for the six ensuing years he made his home in Mary Ann Township. Thence he came to Newton Township, where he has since resided. As time has passed by, he has erected all the buildings necessary to the successful management of a model farm and has also introduced labor-saving machinery. As an agriculturist he is practical, persevering and capable, and these qualities have brought him worldly prosperity. In addition, his business transactions have been above reproach and his social relations genial and pleasant, so that he has gained the esteem of his associates.

In the fall of 1866, in Newton Township, occurred the marriage of Mr. Stone and Miss Sarah Lock. This lady was born in 1848 and is the daughter of William Lock, of Newton Township. Four children have blessed the union, James F., Clara, Grace and Edith. As an enthusiastic advocate of the principles of the Democratic party, Mr. Stone is well known throughout the county, and has been prominent for years in the ranks of that political organization. For fifteen consecutive years he has served as Township Trustee and is the present incumbent of that office. A man of his calibre and good standing is necessarily looked upon by his fellow-citizens as one most worthy to fill public office, and his service for so many years as Township Trustee proves better than words that he has discharged his duties to the satisfaction of all concerned. At different times he has also been chosen to fill other local offices.

Socially Mr. Stone is identified with the Masonic fraternity. He and his wife are devoted Christians and are active members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. They are intelligent, kind and social, and enjoy the respect of their acquaintances, many of whom have been associated with them to a greater or less extent ever since their arrival in the county.

ALBERT NICHOLS. Throughout the greater part of his life this gentleman was a resident of Licking County, and at the time of his death doubtless no citizen was more favorably known than he. During an honorable career as an agriculturist he displayed the possession of untiring perseverance, great energy and excellent judgment, and while he did not gain great wealth, he accumulated a comfortable competence. As a veteran of the late war, as well as a

public-spirited farmer, he won and retained the esteem of his associates.

Guernsey County, Ohio, was the birthplace of Albert Nichols, and April 11, 1834, the date of his advent into the world. He was a member of one of the well known Colonial families, the first representatives in America having come hither in 1729. His boyhood years were somewhat uneventfully passed, and at the age of twenty-five, in 1860, he established domestic ties, being at that time united with Miss Rhoda Hughes, who was born in Madison Township, Licking County, July 20, 1840. Mrs. Nichols is of English lineage, and is the daughter of John and Mary Ann (Bourne) Hughes, who came to this county in May, 1840.

The family of Mr. and Mrs. Hughes consisted of eleven children, of whom Rhoda was the seventh in order of birth. Nine of the number are now living. John, a brother, was a soldier in the late war, serving as a member of Company E, Thirty-fifth Ohio Infantry; he was taken by the enemy at the battle of Martinsburg, W. Va., and died in a prison in South Carolina. Three other brothers, William, James and Edward, were also valiant soldiers during the Rebellion, but fortunately were neither captured nor wounded. Mr. Nichols during the war was also a member of Company E, Ohio Infantry, and rendered faithful service to the cause of the Union. As a soldier's widow, Mrs. Nichols is now in receipt of a pension of $8 per month.

Throughout his entire active life Mr. Nichols enjoyed excellent health, but died February 11, 1888, as the result of an accident. While at work in the timber a tree fell upon him and he died the same evening. His sudden demise was greatly mourned by all with whom business or social relations had brought him into contact; in every duty, as citizen, friend, husband and father, he had been faithful. While not active in political affairs, he gave his influence and ballot to the candidates of the Republican party, the platform of which he advocated.

Mr. and Mrs. Nichols were the parents of three sons and three daughters, of whom we note the following: Mary E., the wife of Frank Dudgeon, resides at Wilkin's Run; Volney married Carrie Bourne, and is a farmer in Madison Township; John F. aids in tilling the soil of the home farm; Ida became the wife of John Dudgeon, and lives with the latter's parents; Abner and Grace remain with their mother. In religious belief, Mrs. Nichols and her children are members of the Christian Church, and are highly esteemed both in religious and social circles. The home farm consists of fifty-three acres, upon which are raised the various cereals, as well as stock of good grades. The land is improved with a cozy residence, substantial barn and an orchard of bearing trees which affords a good revenue. Under the skillful management of Mrs. Nichols and her sons, the farm is one of the best in the township.

WILLIAM N. FULTON. The life record of this gentleman is worthy of careful perusal, for it shows how a poor boy, without capital or influential friends, solely by the exercise of an indomitable will, untiring industry and great perseverance, has gained a place among the moneyed men of Newark and the esteem of all the citizens of the community. He was born in Westmoreland County, Pa., January 23, 1841, and is a son of Robert and Keziah (Newlon) Fulton, natives of the same county.

As early as 1843 the Fulton family emigrated to Ohio and settled on a farm near Homer, Licking County. After two years spent in clearing and improving that place the father returned to Pennsylvania, hoping that the change would benefit his health. Three years later he returned to Licking County, and his death occurred at Granville in 1864, at the age of fifty-three years. His widow is still living (1894) and makes her home with William N., being now seventy-seven years old.

In politics Robert Fulton was a Democrat and for many years served as Justice of the Peace. He was a man of fine education and in early manhood was a school teacher. His principal occupation in

life was that of an agriculturist, although while residing in Licking County he conducted a mercantile store at Homer. He was a correspondent for the *Advocate* at Newark when W. D. Morgan was its editor. Possessing sincere religious principles, he was until death a devout member of the Presbyterian Church and served as Sunday-school Superintendent. Kind hearted and generous in disposition, no hand that was stretched out to him for aid was ever turned empty away. Notwithstanding his benefactions he accumulated a competence and at his demise left a valuable estate.

In the parental family there were two sons, of whom our subject is the younger. The elder, Henry H., was born in 1839, enlisted in Company E, Twentieth Ohio Infantry, and served for three years. At the expiration of his period of service he again enlisted, marched with his regiment to the front, and near the close of the war was killed at Goldsboro, N. C., by Wheeler's Cavalry. At the time of his death he was a non-commissioned officer. William N., of this sketch, was two years of age when brought to Ohio by his parents. During boyhood he assisted in clearing and improving the home farm, and he was obliged to work hard to place the land under cultivation. Farming was his chosen occupation until he was thirty-five, when he removed to Newark and embarked in the lumber business, which he had previously conducted in Homer in connection with his agricultural pursuits.

At Newark Mr. Fulton also followed contracting and building and conducted an extensive trade as a dealer in hard wood logs and lumber. He made large shipments of walnut and cherry to Scotland and Germany. His connection with that business is still maintained, though the entire management has been placed in the hands of the other partner, David H. Ramey. In 1879 Mr. Fulton was elected Treasurer of Licking County, in which responsible position he served for two terms, being the first Treasurer in the new court house. In 1880 a stock company was formed, with him as President, and purchased the Newark *Advocate*, with which he was connected for four years.

In addition to his elegant residence in Newark, on the corner of Fifth and Locust Streets, Mr. Fulton owns several improved farms in this county. In 1864 he married Miss Belle, daughter of Milton and Emily Selby and a native of Homer, Licking County. Eight children have been born to this union. Politically a Democrat, Mr. Fulton is one of the influential workers of the party and has held various offices of trust. For fifteen years he has been a Trustee of the Second Presbyterian Church, and is also officiating as Warden.

GEORGE W. CHASE. To this gentleman belongs the distinction of being, in point of years of active business, the oldest representative of his profession in Newark. His photograph gallery was established here in 1864, since which time he has built up one of the most popular art studios in this part of the state, and now, in addition to his establishment in this city, he conducts a flourishing business in that line both at Granville and Thornville. Associated with him is his son, a young man of superior information and ability.

The Chase family traces its ancestry to Aquilla Chase, who came to this country in the "Mayflower." His descendants have been numbered among the most patriotic of our citizens. The great-grandfather of our subject, Samuel Chase, enlisted at Bangor, Me., for service in the Revolutionary War, where he endured all the hardships and privations incident to those perilous times. Grandfather Samuel Chase was a brave soldier in the War of 1812, at the close of which he returned to his farm in Vermont, but later removed to Whitehall, N. Y., and there resided until death.

The father of our subject, George W. Chase, Sr., was born in 1814 and in youth learned the trade of a carpenter. For some years he followed contracting and building at Oswego and Rochester, N. Y., but now resides upon a farm in Allegany County. His wife was Maria, daughter of Miner

Terry, who was a son of a Revolutionary soldier. In company with her parents she removed to Oswego, N. Y., where she married. Her death occurred at Nunda, N. Y., March 15, 1855. The parents were connected with the Methodist Church, and all the ancestors, so far as known, were members either of that denomination or the Presbyterian.

Our subject is the eldest of four children, the others being, Rebecca, who married Eb. Kingsley and died in Wiscoy, N. Y.; Emma, the wife of Charles Moses, who lives in Wiscoy, N. Y.; and Hannah J., the wife of D. Speer, of Newark. After the death of the mother of these children, the father married Mary Billington, and the union resulted in the birth of four children, all residents of Wiscoy, N. Y.: Benjamin, Moses, Mary and Sarah. George W., of this sketch, attended the common schools and learned the trade of a carpenter in boyhood. In December, 1858, he came to Ohio from Nunda, N. Y., and stopped at Zanesville, where he entered the employ of his maternal uncles, who were United States mail contractors. With them he went to Kansas and assisted them in stocking new mail routes, remaining in that state for almost a year. As this was during the time of the border troubles, the Indians were vindictive and life in the Sunflower State was one not only of hardship but also of peril.

Returning to Zanesville, Mr. Chase took charge of the stage and omnibus line in that city for his uncles. In April, 1861, he responded to the first call for volunteers, and on the 16th of that month he was mustered in with Company H, First Ohio Infantry. Joining the Army of the Potomac he served for four months, although he had enlisted for but three. Upon his return to Ohio he was commissioned Lieutenant and engaged in recruiting service for one year, after which he was assigned to Company A, Eighty-eighth Ohio Infantry, and served as First Lieutenant and Quartermaster.

When his commission expired Mr. Chase joined Company A, Eleventh Ohio Independent Sharpshooters, in which he served until May, 1864, as Orderly-Sergeant. He was wounded by bushwhackers and at Fairfax and the first battle of Bull Run received slight wounds. During the latter engagement he was taken prisoner but succeeded in effecting his escape. At Cynthiana, Ky., in September, 1862, he was captured by Morgan's band but again escaped. His health having been shattered by the hardships of the war, upon his return to Ohio he was unable to work at his trade, and consequently turned his attention to photography, which he had learned in boyhood.

In 1862 Mr. Chase married Miss Kate A. Huff, who was born in Wheeling, W. Va., and is a daughter of Richard and Catherine Huff. Three children were born of this union, of whom Nellie died at the age of three years. Frank A. is associated with his father in business. Minnie is the wife of Charles Ashbaugh, of the firm of Ashbaugh & Deitrick, of Detroit, Mich. Mr. Chase is Past Grand of Newark Lodge No. 623, I. O. O. F., and is also Past Commander of Lemert Post No. 71, G. A. R. He has been a delegate to the National Encampment three times, to the State Encampment eight times, has served on the National Encampment staff for three years and on the State Department staff for four years. For three years he was interested in a printing office and has been an occasional contributor to the journals of the day. For twelve years he has been a Director in the Home Building Association. His political views are in harmony with the platform of the Republican party, which he always supports. He and his family have a pleasant home at No. 127 West Main Street.

ADAM MAHARG. Though of foreign birth, no resident of Mary Ann Township is more patriotic than the subject of this sketch, who has a record as a soldier in the late war of which he may well be proud. He is a native of Belfast, Ireland, and was born on Christmas Day of 1835. His parents were also natives of Belfast, where the father died. The widowed mother took passage on a sailing-vessel bound for America in 1840, accompanied by five of her six

children. Six months were spent upon the ocean, and during that time one of the children died.

Reaching the shores of the United States, the little family proceeded westward to Newark, Ohio. The mother spent the balance of her days in Licking County, where she died about 1888. One of her sons, William John, remained in the Mother Country, where he still makes his home. His entire life has been devoted to the occupation of a ship-builder, and his eleven sons are all mechanics in Belfast. Hugh, who served for three years in the late war as a member of the Twenty-fifth Ohio Infantry, now receives a pension on account of injuries received in the service; he lives at Utica, Licking County, retired from business. Mary Ann married Charles Weise and resides in this county. James died in Licking County, and Samuel, as above mentioned, died on the ocean. After coming to this country, the mother was again married, and at the time of her death was the wife of Alfred Glover.

In the public schools of Licking County, Adam Maharg gained a practical education, to which he has since added by self-culture. At Newark, in 1862, he enlisted as a member of Company G, Seventy-sixth Ohio Infantry, and was assigned to duty in the Army of the Mississippi. The first engagement was at Arkansas Post, near Little Rock, Ark., where the regiment suffered severely. Later he took part in the engagements at Young's Point, Yazoo Mountain, Chickasaw Bayou, and the blockade of Vicksburg. At the latter place he was in great peril, as he worked on the canal around the city under constant fire. The regiment then marched via Mobile to the Mississippi, crossing that river forty-five miles above New Orleans, where they had a severe engagement at Grand Gulf.

From that place the regiment proceeded to Raymond, Miss., still following the retreating enemy. Next they went to Canton, and from there to Jackson, Miss., where they had a two days' fight. Their next engagement was at Champion Hills, where the Seventy-sixth lost more men than in any other battle, as compared with the number in line. Going from Champion Hills to Black River, they took part in a severe engagement, and after a hard fight gained the heights of Vicksburg, May 18. They were in continuous battle from that date until July 4, when the city surrendered to General Grant. The city surrendered on the 3d, Saturday, but General Grant refused to accept the surrender until the 4th, Sunday.

At three o'clock on the afternoon of July 4, 1863, the Seventy-sixth was returned to Black River Bridge to meet the rebel General Johnston, who stood for a hard fight, but retreated to Canton. There our subject left the regiment, owing to the expiration of his term of service, together with physical inability to longer stand the severe duties required of him. He was discharged at Champion Hills, and furnished transportation from Vicksburg home, reaching the latter place after three years' absence.

While on duty moving commissary stores at the Yazoo River, Mr. Maharg received an injury by being crushed by a barrel slipping out of the hands of another soldier who was rolling it up hill. The barrel, which was full, passed directly over him and crushed several ribs, thus permanently disabling him for active manual labor. As a partial compensation for his services he receives a pension from the Government. In 1865 he traveled extensively over the west, finally purchasing two hundred acres in Monona County, Iowa, which he still owns. After a year in the west, he returned to Licking County, and this has been his home since, though he has visited the western states several times.

On the 9th of October, 1866, Mr. Maharg married Miss Martha Moore, who was born in 1840, upon the farm where she now lives. Her parents, Daniel and Elizabeth (Nicely) Moore, were natives of Pennsylvania and early settlers of Mary Ann Township, Licking County, where the father died. The mother, now in her ninetieth year (1894), makes her home with Mrs. Maharg. Of their family of nine children, six still bless the home of Mr. Maharg and his good wife. George and Robert were twins, and the latter died in infancy. Martha and Wallace are also deceased. The others, Samuel, Harvey, Allen, Martha Ellen, Ella and John, have enjoyed the benefits of the public schools, and are a bright, handsome and intelligent family

of young people, who still prefer the old home to the allurements of "abroad."

Mr. and Mrs. Maharg jointly own a fine farm of two hundred and forty-seven acres on section 6, which bears excellent improvements. In politics he has no particular political ties, but is as firm in his allegiance to the Union as during the dark days of the Rebellion. In no sense of the word is he an office seeker, and though solicited frequently to accept nomination, has invariably declined to do so. For the past fourteen years he has been identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Though not espousing the cause of Christianity, he believes in and lives up to the teachings of the Golden Rule, and his honorable, upright life has won for him the esteem of his associates.

HON. MARVIN MORGAN MUNSON. There are few of the residents of Licking County who are unfamiliar with the name introducing this sketch. It is that of a gentleman who, alike in the field of journalism and in the halls of legislature, has ably represented his fellow-citizens and has championed with pen and tongue the cause of truth and justice. Though now retired from active business cares and in the twilight of life, his mental powers have suffered no diminution, but his intellect is as keen and forcible as in days gone by.

The father of our subject, Augustine Munson, was a member of the colony that settled at Granville in 1805, he having come hither from his native town, Granville, Mass. He married Polly Mead, a native of Chittenden County, Vt., and a lady possessing superior ability, which was transmitted in a marked degree to her offspring. The family consisted of five sons and two daughters, all of whom attained maturity, but all are now deceased excepting the subject of this sketch. He was born in Granville, Ohio, September 24, 1822, and was the fourth of the sons. He was reared upon the home farm, situated one and three-quarters miles east of this place, and received a liberal education in the Granville Academy.

At the age of nineteen years Mr. Munson entered the law office of Judge Finch, of Delavan, and was admitted to the Bar about two years later. In 1845 he settled in Troy, Miami County, where he engaged in practice for ten years. Soon after his arrival there he began editorial work on the Troy *Times*, of which he later became the owner and which was the leading organ of the Whig party in that section. He continued the publication of the paper until about 1853, and through his influence it increased in popularity and influence among the people. Largely through his influence the Legislature of the state passed a bill in the session of 1851–52, granting a charter to the Dayton & Michigan Railroad.

Owing to failing health Mr. Munson abandoned his journalistic career, and returning to Granville, engaged in farming until 1880, the date of his removal to the city. In early life he was a Whig, the principles of which he supported until the dissolution of the party. In 1856 he supported General Fremont and voted with the Republican party until 1872, when he voted for Horace Greeley for President. Since that time he has advocated the principles of Democracy. In August, 1862, he raised a company of sixty-seven men and became Captain of Company D, One Hundred and Thirteenth Ohio Infantry, but after seven months of active service failing health rendered his resignation necessary. For some time he was Justice of the Peace, and served as Mayor of Granville for two years. In 1880 he was elected by the Sixteenth District as a member of the State Board of Equalization, and in 1890 represented Licking County in the State Legislature.

In July, 1850, Mr. Munson married Emma S. Culbertson, a native of Miami County and the second daughter of Capt. Robert H. and Rhoda (Lampson) Culbertson. They are the parents of eight children, viz.: Augustine Robert, who was born in 1851 and now lives in Texarkana, Ark.; Lorinda Linn, who was born in 1855; Stanley Rupert, who was born in 1858; Mary Samantha,

whose birth occurred in 1860; Anna Rosecrans, born in 1862; Nora Emma, in 1864; Grace Lang, in 1866, and Morton McMichael, in 1874. Mr. Munson was reared in the faith of the Episcopal Church, but is broad and liberal in his religious views. He is one of the honored citizens of Granville and is highly esteemed by all who know him.

BYRON W. HARRIS. Many of the most prominent citizens of this county have spent their entire lives within its borders, and from the cultivation of the soil have accumulated a competence. One of this number is Byron W. Harris, an influential citizen and capable farmer, residing in Mary Ann Township. He is the owner of an eighty-acre tract, on which he resided for some years after his marriage, but for several years he has cultivated rented land, using his own property for the pasturage of his stock.

The parents of our subject, Milton and Martha (Colvell) Harris, were natives of this county, and the former died when Byron W. was a little child. The mother afterward married Willis Day, and now resides in Eden Township. In the Harris family there were five children, of whom the following is noted: Wallace, a resident of Newark, is the present City Assessor, having been elected to that office in the spring of 1894; he is married and has two children. Carry A. married a farmer living in Mary Ann Township; Byron W., the next in order of birth, was born in Mary Ann Township May 15, 1863; Emma is a teacher in the city schools of Newark; and Charles died at the age of fifteen years.

A life-long resident of this county, our subject was in childhood a student in its public schools. Early in life he became familiar with agricultural pursuits, and upon selecting an occupation naturally chose that with which he was most familiar. At the age of twenty-one he established domestic ties, being united in marriage November 27, 1884, with Miss Ary, daughter of Samuel and Lucinda (Wilkin) Pound, residents of Eden Township. Mrs. Harris is one of a family of three sons and five daughters, and by her union has become the mother of two daughters, Minnie Pearl and Eury, who are now students in the home schools.

Upon the great issues of the present age Mr. Harris keeps himself thoroughly posted, and is well informed on all matters of general importance. He gives his support to the principles advocated by the Democratic party, and invariably casts his ballot for the candidates of that political organization. At the present time he is serving as Trustee of Mary Ann Township, in which position he is rendering efficient service to his fellow-citizens. In his religious views he is liberal, broadly humanitarian.

As above stated, Mr. Harris owns an eighty-acre farm, but since 1891 has cultivated rented property, and upon his own tract raises and gives pasturage to a large number of horses, cattle, hogs and sheep. He finds this department of agriculture a source of profit, and therefore devotes considerable attention to it. He and his family are well known and highly respected in the social circles of the community, and are welcomed guests in the best homes of the township.

DANIEL MORSE SHEPARDSON. In presenting to the readers of this volume the biography of Mr. Shepardson, we are perpetuating the life work of one of the most honored residents of Granville. Throughout a long and influential career he has maintained the energy and integrity characteristic of him in earlier years. Laborious and patient, exhibiting by his life his self-reliance and strong individuality, the influence he unconsciously exerts has a future as well as a present bearing upon the county.

Born in Granville Township February 2, 1825, our subject is the son of Daniel and Prudence (Morse) Shepardson. His father came from Vermont to Licking County in 1813, making the journey by wagon, and settled on the farm now owned

by our subject. The family then consisted of three children, viz.: Lucetta, who is now living in Williams County, Ohio; Perrin, who died at Hudson, Mich., in July, 1893, on the eighty-third anniversary of his birth; and Abigail Adams, now Mrs. G. Woods, of this county. The household was increased by the birth of five children in this county, as follows: Harriet, Nancy and Elvira, all deceased; Daniel, who was born and died before the birth of the subject of this notice; and Daniel M. The mother of these children died in 1835, while the father survived until 1866.

In the district schools Daniel M. Shepardson received a fair education, to which he has since added by self-culture. His life occupation has been that of farming, to which he was reared. On the 8th of November, 1848, he married Abbie Lockwood Durant, a native of Springfield, Vt., who came to Licking County at the age of fifteen years with her parents, Jotham W. and Lucy Durant. To Mr. and Mrs. Shepardson were born three children, one of whom died in infancy. The survivors are, Esmah Calista, the widow of Rev. Alfred Orcutt; and Lucy Pamelia, wife of Milan P. Ashbrook. Both reside in Granville. The wife and mother died May 14, 1894, mourned not alone by her immediate relatives, but also by a large circle of friends, to whom her noble traits of character had endeared her.

A Republican in politics, Mr. Shepardson has served his township a number of years as Trustee, and for six years was a member of the Village Council. He superintended the building of the elegant Baptist Church, and also was Chairman of the building committee for Burton and King Halls, connected with Shepardson College. Since the age of thirteen he has been a member of the Baptist Church, with which his wife was identified for over forty years. For a quarter of a century he has been a member of the Board of Trustees of Denison University, and has also been a member of the Board of Trustees of Shepardson College since it was founded.

Though not as active in agriculture as when in manhood's prime, Mr. Shepardson still superintends the cultivation of his home farm of one hundred and thirty-five acres, and in addition he owns ninety-five acres in McKean Township. For some years he made a specialty of raising sheep, but now devotes his land to cereals only. Successful in business, he has accumulated a competence, and now surrounds his closing years with the comforts which he accumulated during the years of his activity.

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HON. SAMUEL M. HUNTER. From a perusal of the life records of successful men may be gleaned much that is interesting and profitable to readers of mature years, as well as many lessons worthy of emulation by the young. Judge Hunter is a man who may justly be called self-made. Practically self-supporting from the age of ten years, he has proved what it is in the power of an industrious, energetic, conscientious and determined man to accomplish, though unaided by the prestige of wealth and friends or by any fortuitous circumstances.

In this connection some mention of Judge Hunter's ancestry will not be inappropriate. His grandfather, Cyrus Hunter, removed after his marriage from Virginia to Pennsylvania and settled on a farm in Westmoreland County. Later he removed westward to Ohio, and made his home in Wayne County until his death. He was long survived by his wife, who died at a very advanced age. Their children were, John, James, Joseph R., Samuel, Mary and Elizabeth.

The father of our subject was born in Fauquier County, Va., in 1808, and in boyhood accompanied his parents to Pennsylvania, thence went to Wayne County, Ohio. Learning the trade of a cabinet-maker he followed that occupation at Cadiz until about 1860, when he retired from business. He continued to reside in Cadiz until his demise, which occurred in 1887, at the age of eighty years. In his religious faith he was a Presbyterian, while his political views brought him into accord with the Democratic party. At no time in his life was he an aspirant for official honors, and the only office he ever held was that of Associate Judge of Harrison County.

The mother of our subject bore the maiden name of Letitia McFadden. She was born in Ireland, married Mr. Hunter at Cadiz and died in 1887, one week after the demise of her husband. Her parents, Samuel and Lydia McFadden, were natives of County Cavan, Ireland, and upon emigrating to the United States sojourned for a time in Philadelphia, Pa., and removed thence to Cadiz, Ohio. In that city Mr. McFadden engaged in business as a merchant, pork-packer and distiller until his death there.

The children comprising the parental family were seven in number, as follows: Rev. Cyrus Hunter, D. D., an eminent minister in the Presbyterian Church, now residing in Pennsylvania; Hon. Samuel M., of this sketch; Mary, who died at the age of sixteen; Lydia, now deceased, formerly the wife of William H. Arnold, editor of the

Cadiz *Sentinel;* Charlotte, who married Alexander Hammond, a dry-goods merchant of Cadiz; William H., editor of the Steubenville (Ohio) Daily *Gazette;* and George, who is the editor of the Chillicothe (Ohio) *Advertiser.*

The subject of this sketch was born in Cadiz, Harrison County, Ohio, May 31, 1839. At the age of eleven years he commenced to work in a printing office in his native town, and alternated that work with attendance at school until he was twenty. Not being able to take a collegiate course, he studied Latin and mathematics under private tutors. Coming to Newark at the age of twenty, he was employed here for two years and then returned to Cadiz, where with the proceeds of his labor he paid his way while reading law with J. M. Estep, one of the most prominent attorneys of eastern Ohio. In June of 1863 he was admitted to the Bar at Millersburg, after which he engaged in practice at Cambridge for eight months.

In February, 1864, our subject formed a partnership with Hon. James R. Stanberry at Newark, but two years later the connection was dissolved by mutual consent, and since that time Judge Hunter has been alone. In 1866 he was elected City Solicitor for Newark, and by successive re-elections held the office for five years. From 1872 until 1876 he was Prosecuting Attorney for Licking County. Later he was elected Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, in which capacity he served for ten years. In 1888 he was President of the City Council and has served as County School Examiner. August 1, 1894, Mr. Hunter was nominated for Judge of the Fifth Judicial district by the Democratic convention held at Zanesville. There were four candidates presented, C. D. Martin, of Fairfield; S. M. Hunter, of Newark; John Mitchell, of Tuscarawas, and Edward S. Dowell, of Wayne. Sixty-two votes were necessary to a choice and on the twenty-seventh ballot Mr. Hunter received sixty-eight votes and the nomination. His political affiliations are with the Democratic party, which he has represented in various county, district and state conventions. His services are especially in demand by his party during campaign seasons, and he is popular as a "stump" speaker.

During the late war Judge Hunter enlisted, in 1862, as a member of the Eighty-sixth Ohio Infantry and was with his regiment in southwestern Virginia until the expiration of his period of service, when he was honorably discharged. Socially he belongs to the Order of Red Men and the Knights Templar. While not connected with any denomination, he attends the Episcopal Church, of which his wife is a member. His law library is one of the best in the county. In addition to his practice he is now serving as President of the *Advocate* Printing Company and Vice-President of the glass company.

In 1872 Judge Hunter married Iva, daughter of Willis and Helen (Warner) Robbins, her father being President of the Franklin Banking Company. Four children bless this union, Helen, Ethel, Louise and Willis Robbins. The family residence is situated at No. 122 Buena Vista Street, and in addition to that place the Judge owns other valuable residence and business property.

JAMES E. THOMAS. No enterprise of Licking County is so inseparably associated with the history of Ohio as is the foundry which Mr. Thomas owns and manages. The people of Newark feel a commendable pride in the works, which have so wonderfully enhanced the commercial prosperity of the city and increased its importance as a great manufacturing center. In view of the high standing of the company and its close connection with the progress of the community, it will not be amiss to present to our readers a brief outline of its history.

The iron foundry was established in Newark by James E. Thomas in 1867, the business commencing in a small way in a building about 30x60. Nine or ten men were employed in the manufacture of cook stoves, from which the owner gradually drifted into the general machine and foundry business, which he has continued with such marked success ever since. In 1870 he built the commodi-

ous foundry which he has since occupied and which is one of the most extensive plants in the state. After its erection he embarked in the building of blast furnaces in the Hocking and Shawnee district, and of the fourteen furnaces there he built nine.

The increasing business caused Mr. Thomas in 1883 to erect an additional foundry and a large boiler shop and pattern room. The foundry is thoroughly equipped with all the modern improvements, that for heavy work having heavy steam and hand power cranes, core ovens, and cupolas for the manufacture of heavy castings up to twenty tons' weight. The foundry for light work is a frame building, 80x120, and also has hand power cranes and cupolas. The boiler shop is a frame building, 70x120; the brick machine shop and engine room 50x60, and the frame pattern store house 30x80.

Until 1893 Mr. Thomas conducted the business alone, when the enterprise was incorporated as the James E. Thomas Company, capital $30,000. The officers are, James E. Thomas, President, and Edward Thomas, Treasurer. For the past six years the firm has manufactured ingot moulds for steel works, their present average being twenty tons per day. When engaged in making car castings the firm employed one hundred men, but the heavy nature of the ingot mould work does not require nearly so many men as the lighter castings, and steady employment is now given to about forty men.

The originator and prime factor in this most successful of Newark's manufactories was born in Cornwall County, England, May 12, 1828, being a son of John Thomas, who was an iron founder in Cornwall and lived and died in England. James E. was reared in the business with his father and resided in England until 1849, when, accompanied by a brother, Henry, he came to America. The brother, after one year in this county, went to Australia, where he died. Two brothers and one sister still reside in England.

Arriving in America, Mr. Thomas secured employment in a foundry in New York City, whence in 1855 he came to Newark, Ohio, and took charge of the foundry of the Newark Machine Company. After the business was closed out, in the spring of 1862, he went to Pittsburgh and was Superintendent of the James Marshall & Co. Iron Foundry until 1867. He then returned to Newark and established his present business.

In New York City, in 1852, Mr. Thomas married Miss Emily Lusby, who was born in London, England, December 21, 1830. When sixteen months old she was brought to America by her parents, and grew to womanhood in New York City, where her father was a stone-cutter. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas have had twelve children, of whom ten are now living, viz.: Edward; Lydia, who married Benjamin Brown, of Newark; James B., Superintendent of the foundry; Ellen, who is at home; George B., a resident of Alexandria, Ind.; Emily (twin to George B.), the wife of F. H. Gilbert, of Alameda, Cal.; Abraham L., chief time keeper for the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad; Daisy R., wife of Frank Symons, of Newark; Edith and Charles.

Edward Thomas, the eldest son of our subject, was born in New York City November 24, 1852, and was educated in the Newark schools. Since attaining manhood he has been associated with his father constantly, excepting about eight years, when he was a traveling salesman for an iron firm. September 22, 1887, he married Miss Jessie, daughter of Eugene and Nettie Clark, and a native of Middletown, Ohio. Socially he is a thirty-second degree Mason, and has served as High Priest of Warren Chapter, R. A. M. In politics he is a Republican and has served as a member of the City Council.

The political views of our subject bring him in connection with the Republican party, and he has been thus identified since voting for John C. Fremont in 1856. Socially he has attained the thirty-second degree in the Masonic fraternity. He attends the services of the Second Presbyterian Church, but is not identified with any denomination. While he came to Newark poor, through his determined efforts he has built up a large business and accumulated a competency. Shipments are made from the foundry to various large cities throughout the country. The works turns out about twenty tons per day, although the capacity is much larger than that. The shops are located on a switch of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, thus

rendering transportation rapid and convenient. Specialties are made of the celebrated Champion boiler, also the manufacture of columns, girders, pillars, etc., for architectural work and structures of all kinds. The enterprise is one of the most important in the state, and its projector and President well deserves the high success he has attained.

JOSEPH GRIFFITH. No man who holds an official position in Newark is managing the affairs under his supervision with greater fidelity or capability than the gentleman whose name introduces this sketch, and who is the present City Marshal. Believing that a public office is a public trust, he devotes his entire attention to the faithful discharge of his duties, and his practical industry, wisely and vigorously applied, has not failed of success. He has risen from an humble position to one of influence solely through the exercise of his native powers of mind and body, and his life affords a striking example of the results of application and perseverance.

The family of which our subject is a member originated in Wales, where Grandfather Benjamin Griffith was born, reared and married, and where for many years he was employed as gamekeeper for a nobleman. After the death of his wife he crossed the Atlantic, early in the present century, and sojourned for a time in Philadelphia, Pa., removing thence to Steuben Township, Oneida County, N. Y. The father of our subject, Joseph Griffith, was born in Montgomeryshire, Wales, in December, 1799, and came to the United States in 1827, about ten years after the advent of his father in America.

In 1828 Joseph Griffith married Mrs. Eleanor (Rowland) Davis, a native of Montgomeryshire, Wales, who was the mother of two children by her first marriage, David, who died in Clinton, N. Y.; and Jane, who married Evan Thomas and passed away in Lewis County, N. Y. Mrs. Eleanor Griffith died in April, 1888, aged ninety-two years. By her union with Mr. Griffith she had become the mother of five children, of whom our subject is the eldest. The others are, Benjamin, a farmer residing in Athensville, Greene County, Ill.; John, a stationary engineer at Newark; Joshua, a railroad engineer living at Columbus, this state; and Eleanor, of Newark, the widow of James Vandergriff, who died in the Civil War. Joseph Griffith, the father of the above family, died October 11, 1877.

At his father's home on Genesee Street, Utica, N. Y., the subject of this notice was born May 6, 1831. His boyhood days were passed upon the home farm in Oneida County, N. Y., and in June, 1845, he came to Newark, where his father entered the employ of a railroad company. Early obliged to become self-supporting, he worked as a farm laborer, also engaged in boating on the canal, and was employed as a stage driver on the national road. In 1856 he commenced dealing in horses, in which he met with success. During the Civil War he was employed on the police force in Newark for four years, after which he resumed the buying and selling of horses.

In 1874 Mr. Griffith was appointed Patrolman by Mayor D. C. Winegarner, and held that position until 1877, when he was appointed Lieutenant of Police. That responsible position he filled for nine years, during both Republican and Democratic administrations, after which he was not connected with the force for two years, being engaged as watchman for the glass works. In 1888, when Edwin Nichols was elected Mayor on the Republican ticket, and although our subject belonged to the opposing political party, he was selected to fill the responsible position he had formerly occupied.

November 20, 1888, Mr. Griffith was elected to fill an unexpired term of City Marshal, and has since served in that capacity by successive re-elections. In 1888 his majority was small, in 1889 it was seven hundred and eighty-three, in 1891 ten hundred and fifty-seven, and in 1893 ten hundred and one. His long public career is conclusive proof of his efficiency. Both by natural bent of mind and by

training he is admirably adapted for the position of a police officer, and his success in that capacity is recognized by all his associates. He insists that the laws shall be observed and obeyed; he institutes municipal reforms and is a terror to all evil-doers. His efficiency in his present position has greatly promoted the welfare of the citizens of Newark, and has made of the city an orderly and law-abiding municipality.

ROBERT T. IRWIN, who is engaged in the mercantile business at Toboso, was born in this village October 16, 1849, and is the eldest of four children comprising the family of Francis and Elizabeth (Livingston) Irwin. His mother was born in Hanover Township, Licking County, and is now the widow of Joshua McVicker. Of her children we note the following: James resides in Newark and is general foreman of the Postal Telegraph Company; Susie, residing in Toboso, is the wife of Scott M. Varner, foreman of the Baltimore & Ohio Telegraph lines. Frank, an employe of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway Company, was killed in a wreck at Republic, Ohio, January 4, 1887.

Our subject learned the business of constructing telegraph lines and was thus engaged from 1873 until the winter of 1887-88, his work requiring him to visit Virginia, West Virginia, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Arkansas, Texas, Missouri, Maryland and other states, and thus he was enabled to see much of the country. From the age of nine years he has been self-supporting, with few advantages for acquiring an education, although, being ambitious to gain knowledge, he usually arranged to attend school for a few months each year and thus he acquired a fair education. He made his home with his mother's brother until about 1861, when his mother became a widow by the death of her second husband; he then returned to her house, continuing afterwards to make his home with her until he married.

November 1, 1874, Mr. Irwin was united in marriage with Miss Amanda Laughman, who was born in Hopewell Township, Licking County, in January 1853, and died in Toboso March 22, 1888. Seven children were born of this union, five of whom are now living. Florence L. died at the age of two years and twenty days; Alice G. died when one year and four months old. The others are, Owen S., who was born December 22, 1877; Carrie M., July 3, 1879; George H., September 25, 1881; Bessie E., February 14, 1883; and James Franklin, January 4, 1887.

The second marriage of Mr. Irwin took place March 24, 1891, at which time he was united with Miss Ida O., daughter of Robert and Nancy Shepherd. Mrs. Irwin was born in this county and was reared to womanhood a farmer's daughter. She has become the mother of one child, Nellie, born September 15, 1892. In her religious belief she is a Methodist and belongs to the church of that denomination in Toboso. Though not connected with any church Mr. Irwin believes in and supports the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal denomination. He is a generous contributor of his means to the support of the church, Sunday-school and other religious and benevolent enterprises.

In 1887 Mt. Irwin purchased a stock of general merchandise at Toboso, where for two years he conducted business in a rented building, and in 1889 erected the store which he now occupies. Here he carries a full line of groceries, dry goods, hardware, boots, shoes, etc. His trade is excellent and he is constantly adding to his stock of goods. He has accumulated some money as a reward for fair dealing and careful attention to business. In June, 1889, he was appointed Postmaster at Toboso and held the office until it was determined that "to the victor belongs the spoils," and the position was surrendered to his Democratic successor August 1, 1893.

A Republican in politics, Mr. Irwin votes and works zealously for the good of his party. He has voted in Hanover Township when there was a

Democratic majority of eighty-two, but the last three elections have been carried by the Republicans. This is undoubtedly a result of the faithful and persistent work of Republican leaders, of whom Mr. Irwin is one. Socially he is Past Grand of Durban Lodge No. 487, I. O. O. F., and Junior Warden of New Home Lodge No. 338, A. F. & A. M., at Hanover.

JOHN HOLTZ. There are few of the residents of Licking County who are not familiar with the name of this gentleman. His reputation as a capable agriculturist has extended beyond the limits of Madison Township, where he has made his home for the past twenty years and where he engages in mixed farming and stock-raising. His farm consists of one hundred and two acres, which he tills without help and upon which he has placed many valuable improvements.

Born in Knox County, Ohio, November 19, 1830, our subject is the son of George and Susan (Mavies) Holtz, both of whom were Virginians by birth, the father having been born in 1800, and the mother in 1804. Removing to Ohio they continued to reside in Knox County until called from earth, Mr. Holtz at the age of four score and two, and his wife when seventy-six. They were the parents of six sons and three daughters, of whom John is the third in order of birth. The others are, Catherine, the wife of Ephraim Anderson, who lives in Knox County; Elizabeth, who married Jesse Harris and also resides in Knox County; Lewis, a widower living in Tennessee; Margaret, who married Uriah Blue and is deceased; Martin V., who is married and lives in Knox County; LeGrande B., of Knox County; George, a carpenter of Coshocton County, this state; and Henry, a widower.

The lady who, in Knox County, September 15, 1855, became the wife of John Holtz was formerly Miss Mary S. Henry and was born in Daviess County, Ind., September 15, 1839. Her parents were Virginians, but removed to Indiana prior to her birth. She is of Irish and German descent, while our subject traces his ancestry to Germany. Three sons and three daughters bless this union. Theodosia became the wife of John Patterson and resides in West Carlisle, Coshocton County, Ohio, having a son and a daughter by her marriage; Isadora married William Pigg and lives in Licking County; Alonzo, a resident of Newark Township, married Miss Emma Pound, who was born in Eden Township, and they have one child, Horatio; LeGrande Valentine married Jane Edwards and they live in Brownsville, Licking County; Jennie is at home, and C. L. V., a graduate of Ada College, at Ada, Hardin County, Ohio, still makes his home under the parental roof, though for the past nine years he has been engaged in teaching school.

In religious views Mr. Holtz is liberal, while his wife is a member of the Christian Union Church. He is interested in matters of public importance, taking an active part in political and social affairs. His vote is cast for the principles of the Democratic party, and he has held various official positions in the township. For many years he followed the carpenter's trade, and still does something in that line when called upon by others or in the improvement of his place. His life has been well and worthily passed and he enjoys the esteem of a large circle of acquaintances.

HENRY S. FLEEK. Throughout this section of Ohio there is no firm that enjoys a more enviable reputation for reliability of business transaction than that of Fleek & Neal, wholesale grocers at Newark. The house was established in March, 1861, under the firm title of Fleek & Sherwood, the partners being John S. Fleek and George B. Sherwood. On the 1st of January, 1874, the name was changed to John S. Fleek & Co., Mr. Sherwood retiring from the firm, and Henry C. Strong purchasing an interest.

In January of 1881, W. W. Neal became a partner, but the style of the firm remained unchanged. John S. Fleek died in 1883, and March 14, 1887, the firm became Fleek, Strong & Co. January 1, 1893, Mr. Strong retired, since which time the business has been conducted by Fleek & Neal. Four traveling salesmen are employed on the road, and the house conducts an extensive and profitable trade throughout the state.

Referring to the personal history of the gentleman now at the head of this large house, we find that he is one of the youngest business men of Newark, having been born in this city in 1866. His grandfather, Adam Fleek, who was a pioneer of Newark, was born in Hampshire County, Va., (now Mineral County, W. Va.) March 11, 1803, and was one of eighteen children, all of whom reached maturity. In April, 1826, he came to Newark, where he remained until his death, August 22, 1877. His career was characterized by industry, energy and great tact and shrewdness as a business man. These qualities, aided by temperate and frugal habits, aided him in the acquisition of wealth. No citizen of Licking County was more successful than he in the accumulation of property and his prosperity was due to the characteristics above mentioned. Though decided in his religious views, as he was in all questions that claimed public attention, he was not narrow-minded nor was there any trace of bigotry in his disposition. He was a member of the Second Presbyterian Church and a generous contributor to the erection of the fine edifice in which the congregation still worships.

John S. Fleek, the son of Adam and Alva L. (Sherwood) Fleek, was born in Newark in 1836, and spent his entire life in this city, becoming one of its most prominent and prosperous business men. The reputation for probity and energy acquired in youth was retained in manhood and he was known for his exemplary conduct in business and social relations. Probably no citizen of this place was more widely or favorably known for business capacity and judgment. He embarked in business on a small scale in 1861, but devoting his entire attention to it, he soon accumulated a fortune and gained success. He married Martha Grace Lang, who is still living. Of their five children, George W., the eldest, died at the age of nineteen years; our subject is the second in order of birth; Alice G., of Newark, is the next younger; John Lang died at the age of five; and Grace is the youngest.

The subject of this notice was educated in Newark, and entered the firm, as above stated, in 1887. In 1889 he married Fannie, daughter of Jesse R. and Hannah Moore, and a native of this county. They have one child, John S. Their home on Third street is one of the most elegant in the city. Mr. Fleek is a stockholder in the ice plant and is Vice-President of the Newark Ice and Cold Storage Company, and is also a Director in the People's National Bank.

OSMER DRAKE. The farming community of Licking County recognizes in the subject of this notice a representative citizen and a most successful agriculturist. He is the owner of a fine estate comprising one hundred and twelve acres in Liberty Township. From his youth he has been engaged in agricultural pursuits and from the very start showed a special aptitude for his chosen calling, displaying a keen appreciation of the best modern methods of farming, and he has so profited by experience and observation that he is to-day one of the prosperous agriculturists of the township.

In the county where his entire life has been passed, Mr. Drake enjoys to the full the respect accorded to an honorable, upright man, whose habits are exemplary and whose dealings are strictly just and fair, it being the universal testimony of his life-long acquaintances that his character is rightly summed up in the foregoing words. He was born in St. Alban's Township January 5, 1818, and is the only survivor among fourteen children born to David and Mary (Melick) Drake, natives of Pennsylvania. His father was a farmer by occupation, and coming to Ohio in 1811, settled a

half-mile west of Alexandria, where he bought one hundred and forty acres. There he spent the remainder of his life, rearing in addition to his own family three grandchildren, making seventeen altogether. On the old homestead he died in 1868, at the age of nearly ninety-three. His wife passed away when eighty-four years old. She was an exemplary Christian woman and a member of the Baptist Church. He was a soldier in the War of 1812 and held numerous local offices in this county.

Our subject's paternal grandfather spent his entire life in Pennsylvania, where his death occurred. The maternal grandfather, also a native of the Keystone State, came to Ohio and settled in Perry County about 1809. Osmer Drake has spent his entire life (a period of seventy-six years) in Licking County, where in youth he was a student in the old-fashioned subscription schools. On the 10th of December, 1840, he married Miss Lucinda, daughter of Philip Siler, and two sons and five daughters were born of their union, namely: Ann Maria, Caroline, Alvin, Almira Josephine, Sarah Alma, LeRoy Pratt and Amanda Elizabeth, all of whom are living but Almira J. The eldest, Ann Maria, married Thomas Orr and they have five children living, Alvin H., Josephine, Mary, Lois and Osmer. Alvin married Miss Nancy Stroup, and they have one child, Dessie. Almira Josephine became the wife of Jerome Phillips, and they have five children, Maude, Lois, Romy, Dolly and Freddie. Sarah Alma, wife of John T. Wainscot, has three children living, Zorus, Pearl and Osmer Green. LeRoy Pratt married Miss Mary C. Purvis, and they have six children, Clara, Cora, Osmer, Charles, Sarah and Elmer. Amanda Elizabeth, wife of H. J. Curtis, has four children, Clifton, Alda, Clyde and Bertie.

The wife and mother died May 2, 1872, at the age of fifty-four years, and for his second wife Mr. Drake chose Miss Sarah, daughter of James Trout, of St. Alban's Township. For some years Mr. Drake was a member of the Order of Red Men, but of late years has not been actively identified with the organization. About 1843 he bought his present farm, where he has since resided continuously. His first house was a log cabin, which was replaced by a frame building, and the latter continued to be the family residence until it was destroyed by fire about forty years ago. Afterward a substantial house was built and this has since been the family home.

Through a long and busy life that has passed the seventy-sixth milestone on the journey to immortality, Mr. Drake has shown himself to possess in an eminent degree those dominant characteristics of the sons of the Buckeye State that have made them such potent factors in the upbuilding of any community where their lot may be cast. His capability and keen insight into the best methods of conducting his financial interests, together with his plain and straightforward dealings, have placed him among the prosperous men of the county.

JOSIAH McKINNEY is active in advancing the agricultural interests of Licking County and occupies a prominent position among the farmers of Newton Township. He has known no other home save the farm upon which he now resides. It is his birthplace; around it cluster the happy memories of childhood and youth; here too were passed the active days of life's prime and here he continues to reside in the afternoon of his useful and honored life.

Among the pioneers of Ohio may be mentioned the name of the late Joseph McKinney, father of our subject. He was born in Westmoreland County, Pa., July 6, 1800, and in 1814 accompanied his parents to Licking County, making settlement in Bowling Green Township. There he grew to manhood upon the home farm. The lady whom he married in Newton Township bore the maiden name of Elizabeth Hopper, and was born in Culpeper County, Va., December 21, 1808, having accompanied her parents to Licking County in childhood.

After their marriage Joseph McKinney and his

wife settled upon a farm in Newton Township, where he labored assiduously and successfully as a tiller of the soil until his death, which occurred July 26, 1867. The widowed mother still survives (1891), having now reached an advanced age. They were the parents of eight children, whose names were, Rachel, James, John H., William, Martha J., Josiah, Sarah A. and Franklin. As above stated, our subject was born upon the farm where he is now living, his natal day being February 25, 1838. In the schools of the neighborhood he received such educational advantages as were afforded in those days, and to the knowledge acquired in school he has added the information gained by intercourse with men and by systematic reading.

Farming has been the life occupation of Mr. McKinney and that he has made a success of it is abundantly proved by the fact that he now owns five hundred acres of valuable land. In addition to general farming he has engaged to some extent in stock-raising and in that department of agriculture has achieved marked success. Upon the old homestead he has erected a first-class set of buildings adapted to their varied uses, including a cozy and conveniently arranged residence. While he has devoted his attention chiefly to farming, he has traveled somewhat through our country and for about two years was engaged in mining in Idaho.

In Shawnee, Perry County, Ohio, May 26, 1875, Mr. McKinney was united in marriage with Miss Christina Scarbrough, who was born in Muskingum County, Ohio, and is the daugher of Dr. M. L. Scarbrough, a successful physician of Perry County. Four children blessed this marriage, of whom Charles died in infancy. The others are Clinton S., Elizabeth and Cyrus E. In the county Mr. McKinney is an influential and popular citizen, and being broad minded and public spirited, he is foremost in every enterprise having for its object the advancement of the material or moral prosperity of the community.

As a member of the Democratic party Mr. McKinney has taken an active interest in local affairs and has wielded considerable influence in his township. For five years he has filled the position of Treasurer of Newton Township. For six years he served as a Director of the Licking County Agricultural Society and during half of that time was Superintendent of the grounds.

ROBERT D. HORTON, Sr. Since 1833 this gentleman has been a resident of Licking County, and as may readily be imagined he has been the witness of wonderful transformations in this section of the state. At that remote period, more than sixty years ago, there were no large cities, no great centres of commerce and thriving villages or well improved farms. These marvelous changes he has not only witnessed, but has directly contributed to, assisting generously all enterprises calculated to promote the welfare of his fellow-men. As such he is deserving of the high regard in which he is held by all who know him.

The farm owned and occupied by Mr. Horton is one of the best in Newton Township and comprises one hundred and fifty-five acres of fertile land. To this county in the spring of 1833 came his parents, Robert and Mary (Smith) Horton, from Culpeper County, Va., being accompanied in the removal by their six children. They settled in Newton Township, where the wife and mother died in 1846. Early in the '50s the father removed to Grant County, Ind., where he remained until his demise, in the fall of 1853.

The fourth among the six children comprising the family is Robert D., who was born in Culpeper County, Va., June 19, 1825. At the time of coming to this county he was a lad of about eight years, and here he has since resided. In childhood he was a student in the district schools, but his education has been acquired principally by self-culture, as his advantages in boyhood were very meagre. His life occupation has been that of agriculture, and so successful has he been in his chosen calling that he has risen from a position of poverty to one of affluence, and has attained,

through his unaided efforts, a place among the well-to-do farmers of the township. His life affords an example of what may be accomplished by pluck and perseverance, even though one has no capital with which to embark in business.

The lady who in Knox County, Ohio, November 21, 1849, became the wife of Mr. Horton, was formerly Miss Catherine Moreland, and was born in Harrison County, this state, March 18, 1829. Her parents, Bazzil and Margaret (Foss) Moreland, came to Licking County in 1829 from West Virginia and made settlement in Newton Township, where they continued to reside for nineteen years. They then removed to Knox County, the same state, where they resided until death. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Horton resulted in the birth of ten children, of whom the following eight now survive: Bazzil M., James E., Mary, George W., Maggie, Linda, Robert D., Jr., and Anna V. William died in childhood and Martha at the age of about twenty-five years.

A man of liberal spirit and progressive ideas, Mr. Horton is a friend of every measure calculated to benefit the people, and as every loyal citizen should do, he takes a deep interest in local and national questions of importance. In politics he affiliates with the Democrats and supports the principles and candidates of that party. He has held a number of local positions of responsibility, including that of Constable of Newton Township, which position he held for three years, Township Assessor for one year, Trustee for several terms, and for six years Infirmary Director. An affable, courteous gentleman and genial companion, he has hosts of friends in this community.

HERBERT ATHERTON. All the nearest and dearest associations of a lifetime are for Mr. Atherton connected with the town of Newark, and the family which he represents has long been identified with the history of Licking County. As early as 1820 his grandfather, John Atherton, came from Chambersburg, Pa., to Newark, Ohio, where he occupied a house on East Main Street. His trade was that of a chair maker, but instead of following that occupation he purchased land in Newark Township and engaged in general farming. At the age of eighty-two he passed away, leaving three sons, viz.: Augustus, father of our subject; Walgrave, a resident of Green County, Wis.; and Hon. Gibson Atherton, Member of Congress from this district.

Born in Licking County in 1824, Augustus Atherton grew to manhood in Newark Township, alternating attendance at the common schools with work on the home farm. His chosen occupation throughout life was that of a farmer, although he also officiated as a local preacher in the Christian Union Church, a branch of the Methodist Episcopal denomination during the war. Politically he was a stanch Democrat. His death occurred in 1889, at the age of sixty-five years. His widow, who now makes her home with our subject, was born in Vermont and bore the maiden name of Cynthia Taft. Her father, Phineas Taft, was born in Scotland, whence he emigrated to Vermont and later came to Licking County, where she married Mr. Atherton at Newark. She is a sincere Christian and a faithful member of the Congregational Church.

The children comprising the parental family were seven in number, namely: Herbert, of this sketch; Lee, a farmer of Delaware County; Alice, who married Felix Blizzard and died in Licking County; Wallace, who was killed at Bement, Ill., when in the employ of the Indianapolis, Bloomington & Western Railroad; Gibson, a miner in British Columbia; Warren, a blacksmith residing in Union County, Ohio; and John, of Newark. The subject of this sketch was born in Madison Township August 9, 1846, and was educated in the public schools. He followed farm pursuits until 1885, since which time he has been engaged in the real-estate business at Newark. For two years he carried on the coal business in this city.

Politically a Democrat, Mr. Atherton is serving his second term as Commissioner of Licking County. He is a Director of the Newark Savings Bank, a stockholder and Director of the Home-

stead Building & Loan Association, a Director of the Baltimore Bent Work's Company, of Newark, and a Director of the Newark & Granville Electric Railroad. He owns the residence in which he lives, also owns and manages a farm consisting of one hundred and fifty-four acres in Madison Township, and manages his mother's farm. He recently platted an addition to the city, on which he erected eight houses, and of these he still owns four.

November 17, 1870, Mr. Atherton married Miss Catherine Shaw, who was born in Madison Township, this county, and is a daughter of William Shaw. Two children bless the union, William and Augustus. The social connections of Mr. Atherton are with the Knights of Pythias, in which organization he is prominent. As a citizen he is progressive and gives his support to all public-spirited measures.

MRS. MARY FITCH ABBOTT, of Granville, is a member of an old pioneer family that settled in St. Alban's Township, this county, in 1836. Her parents were William and Sarah (Hanford) Fitch, both of whom were born in Norwalk, Conn., where they were reared and married. After marriage they removed to Rensselaer County, N. Y., whence they removed with their children to this state. This family is of English origin and was founded in New England in early Colonial times, and has furnished this country with distinguished statesmen, soldiers and scholars. Thomas Fitch, the great-grandfather of the subject of this notice, was one of the first Colonial Governors of Connecticut, and her grandfather, Timothy Fitch, was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, while some of the decendants of the family served with distinction in the Civil War.

Mrs. Abbott was born in Rensselaer County, N. Y., in 1811, and received a limited education in the district schools of her native county. She has always had a fondness for books, and by extensive reading became well informed. Though now in her eighty-fourth year, she is still a pleasant and interesting conversationalist, freely expressing her thoughts in well chosen language. She has been twice married. In 1839 she became the wife of Orrin Bryant, a native of Massachusetts, by whom she had two children. One died in infancy; and Charles W. passed away in August, 1886.

Charles W. received a good education in Granville and was by profession a civil engineer, his first work being on the Ohio Central Railroad. After having been thus engaged a number of years he embarked in the drug business, which he carried on until his death. He married Miss Lorinda L., daughter of Hon. M. M. Munson, of Granville, by whom he had two children, a son and daughter. The former, Fitch C., was a student at the Protestant Episcopal Academy of Philadelphia, from which he was graduated in 1894. The daughter, Miriam Joanna, died in 1893, in her fourteenth year. The mother of these children was graduated from the Female Seminary of Granville, after which she was graduated from the schools of pharmacy in Ohio and Illinois. She then spent one year in Cornell University, and is now (1894) teaching in the Ogontz school, near Philadelphia, where during the past four years she has distinguished herself as an educator of rare ability and literary attainments.

Two years after the death of Orrin Bryant, which occurred in 1868, our subject married Judge Elizur Abbott, a native of Massachusetts, whose sketch appears elsewhere in this work. Since his death, October 4, 1878, Mrs. Abbott has resided in her pleasant home in Granville, where she is quietly spending her declining days in the enjoyment of a competence and the respect of many friends. For a period covering almost sixty years she has been a resident of this county, and during that time she has witnessed with interest and pleasure the steady growth and development of its material and commercial importance. She has witnessed the increase of its population and prosperity, and has noted with satisfaction the fact that its intellectual

progress has kept pace with its material growth. Now in the twilight of her life, she occupies a warm place in the hearts of her neighbors and friends, who wish for her many more years of happiness amid the associations so dear to her.

JOHN M. ROBINSON, one of Granville's well known citizens, was born in Cadiz, Ohio, July 4, 1836, and is the son of John and Susan (Vandament) Robinson, natives of Pennsylvania, who came to Ohio prior to their marriage. In his native city our subject received a limited education and at the age of fifteen began clerking in a hardware store, where he gained a thorough knowledge of that business. In 1861 he opened a hardware store in Cadiz and by close application to all the details of the business achieved success. Under the administration of Abraham Lincoln he was appointed postmaster at Cadiz in 1861, which office he held for four years. He was well prepared for the efficient discharge of its duties, having previously served for about eight years as Deputy Postmaster.

In Licking County, June 1, 1864, occurred the marriage of John M. Robinson and Miss Emma A. Devenney, the latter a native of McKean Township. Her parents, Pascal and Deborah (Sheldon) Devenney, were pioneers of McKean Township, the former having come hither from Virginia, while the latter was a native of Northampton, Mass. Both are living at this writing (1894), Mr. Devenney at the age of eighty-five, and his wife aged eighty-four. Soon after his marriage Mr. Robinson removed to McKean Township, where he engaged in farming and stock-raising, meeting with signal success as an agriculturist.

Retiring from that occupation in 1886, Mr. Robinson came to Granville, where he has since resided practically retired from active business cares. However, he still superintends the management of his landed possessions, aggregating three hundred acres, from the rental of which he receives a good income. He is also interested in the Granville Building & Loan Association and is a member of its Board of Directors. Since casting his first Presidential vote for Abraham Lincoln, he has supported the men and measures advocated by the Republican party, but has never sought or desired political preferment, preferring to devote his time and energies to his business interests, in which he has gained a handsome competence through his own unaided efforts. He is the friend and advocate of improvements and all projects that will build up and enhance the good of the state and nation. In the township, also, every good movement receives his support.

Mr. and Mrs. Robinson are the parents of two sons, Frank Sheldon and Hubert Devenney. The pleasant family residence is the abode of culture and hospitality, and hither their many friends often come, drawn by the genial courtesy of the host and the warm welcome offered by the hostess. The best years of his life Mr. Robinson has passed in Licking County, and his influence has been felt for good, both in business and social circles. He is a man of broad and liberal views, ever ready to do his share in benevolent enterprises, and true to every duty as husband, father and friend.

HENRY WARDEN HOBART, of Granville, is a representative of two old pioneer families and is descended from loyal Revolutionary stock. His maternal great-grandfather, Jonas Warden, served as Captain in the War for Independence, and his grandfather, Gabriel Warden, served as a Captain in the War of 1812. Our subject was born in Granville Township September 22, 1836, being the eldest son of Giles and Mary A. (Warden) Hobart, both of whom

were natives of Vermont and came to Ohio with their parents when quite young. Giles Hobart and his wife had a family of six children, one daughter and five sons, namely: Martha, wife of S. J. Everett, a farmer of Granville; Henry W., of this sketch; Heman L., an agriculturist residing in Cass County, Mo.; Lewis M., deceased; George B., a farmer who lives in Kansas, and Wesley J., a resident of Columbus, Ohio. The father resided here until his death, in 1873, at the age of sixty-two, and his wife survived him a few years, passing away at the age of sixty-four.

In the public schools our subject commenced his education, which was still further carried on at the male academy in Granville. Reared upon a farm, he has made agricultural pursuits his chosen life occupation, and in this calling has met with a well deserved success. His entire life has been passed in Granville with the exception of one year (1858) spent in Kansas. On the 31st of January, 1859, he was united in marriage with Miss Hattie E. Irish, the ceremony being performed in Granville by Rev. Jacob Little, whose name is familiar to all old settlers. Mrs. Hobart, who is a member of a long established New England family, is a native of Chittenden County, Vt., and was born in 1838. When fifteen years of age she came to Granville in company with an aunt, and received a good education in the old Episcopal Seminary when it was under the management of Dr. Sanborn. For a few years prior to her marriage she engaged in teaching school and met with flattering success in that calling.

Three children were born to bless the union of Mr. and Mrs. Hobart, namely: Ida May, who died in her seventh year; Carrie L., wife of Jacob F. Keller, a farmer who lives in Newark Township; and Fred W., a graduate of the high school in Granville and now assisting his father in the cultivation of the home farm. Mr. Hobart owns a valuable estate consisting of one hundred and fifty acres, and in connection with general farming makes a specialty of breeding registered Spanish merino sheep. The farm is under a high state of cultivation, well supplied with good buildings, and its neat, thrifty appearance indicates the enterprise and careful supervision of its owner. His beautiful farm residence is built upon a natural elevation, surrounded with shade and ornamental trees, and altogether is one of the finest homes in the county.

Although he never seeks office, Mr. Hobart always manifests a great interest in the public welfare and may be counted upon to bear his part in every worthy enterprise which is being promulgated in the neighborhood. In his political views he is a Republican, but is not strongly partisan, feeling at liberty to support the man of his choice, regardless of party. He is recognized as one of the prominent citizens of the community and has the high regard of a host of personal friends.

CHARLES H. KIBLER. As a representative of a profession in which he has gained prominence and success, and as an honored citizen of Newark, Mr. Kibler is justly entitled to mention in this volume. He is a native of Pennsylvania, and was born in Uniontown, February 11, 1828, being the only survivor of the family of Joseph and Jane (Brown) Kibler. The father, who was a native of Woodstock, W. Va., attained more than ordinary success as a business man, and after his removal to Hillsboro, Ohio, in 1834, he became a dealer in hardware, stoves and tinware at that place. His death occurred at the age of sixty-six, and was deeply mourned not alone by his immediate relatives, but also by all with whom he came into contact.

Since the age of six years the subject of this notice has been a resident of the Buckeye State, and his education was gained in the common schools of Hillsboro and in Jefferson College, where for some time he prosecuted his studies. After completing his studies he taught school for a time, and thus earned the money with which he pursued his

legal researches. He read law in Hillsboro, and was admitted to practice at the Bar in January of 1851, about which time he came to Newark.

Soon after the opening of the Civil War, Mr. Kibler was appointed Second Lieutenant, and assisted in raising a company for service in the war. In January of 1862, he was commissioned Captain of Company D, Seventy-sixth Ohio Infantry, and served in that capacity until the fall of 1863, when he was appointed Assistant Adjutant-General, with the rank of Captain, by the President, and assigned to the First Brigade of the First Division of the Fifteenth Army Corps; he continued in the service until August 1, 1864. During the most of this time he was in the First Brigade, First Division, Fifteenth Army Corps, and took part in many important engagements, including the battles of Ft. Donelson and Shiloh, and the siege of Vicksburg. His company marched from Memphis to Chattanooga, and took part in the battles of Lookout Mountain and Mission Ridge, going from there to Atlanta and participating in the campaign which resulted in the surrender of that city.

February 21, 1854, Mr. Kibler married Miss Mary E., daughter of Dr. B. W. Brice, for many years a physician of Newark. Four children bless the union, Annie B., the wife of W. W. Neal; Edward, his father's law partner; Charles, a business man of Denver, Colo., and Frank, who is engaged in the coal business at Newark. The family residence was erected by Mr. Kibler, and has been their home since March, 1864. Since August 1, 1864, the time of his resignation from the Union service, he has been actively engaged at his profession in this city, and his name for years has been intimately associated with almost all the important litigation and legal business in the county of Licking.

While a stanch Republican since the organization of that party in 1856, Mr. Kibler has never sought official preferment, preferring to devote his attention exclusively to his profession. He has, however, occupied a number of local offices, in which he has served with credit to himself. In 1858–59 he was Mayor of Newark, and was also for some time a member of the Board of Education of this city. As an attorney he is widely and favorably known, and he has doubtless tried more cases than any other lawyer in this section of the state. At one time he was counsel in every case tried in the Court of Common Pleas at Newark during a period of two weeks.

SAMUEL J. EWING. When the dark cloud of war hovered over our country, the sons of the Buckeye State were no less gallant than the patriots of other commonwealths. Among those who responded to the nation's appeal for soldiers was a youth of about eighteen, who, with the fiery enthusiasm of youth, combined the wise judgment of the more mature. His military career and his subsequent civic life have afforded such abundant examples of the qualities of energy, firmness and indomitable perseverance, as to render them familiar to his fellow-citizens, and no one in the county stands higher in the esteem of the people than does Samuel J. Ewing, of Newark.

A native of this county, our subject was born in Hebron, February 8, 1843, and is the son of Dr. James and Amanda (Atkinson) Ewing, natives respectively of Huntingdon, Pa., and New Hampshire. James Ewing was born in 1800, and when a boy moved with the family to Zanesville, Ohio, where he read medicine and commenced the practice of the profession. He also resided in Putnam for a short time, and about 1826 came to Hebron, where he followed his profession for sixty years. He was a cousin of Hon. Thomas Ewing, whose reputation is a national one. Politically he was a Whig until the organization of the Republican party, when he transferred his allegiance to that organization. He was interested in and well posted concerning all events of public importance, but never sought office, giving his full time to his profession. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and a very liberal man, contributing generously to benevolent and religious

projects. Notwithstanding his large benefactions he accumulated a competence. Socially he affiliated with the Masons.

The mother of our subject removed in girlhood from New Hampshire to Wheeling, W. Va., where she met and married Mr. Ewing. She died in 1845, leaving three sons, Edward F. and Franklin P., who are farmers in Anderson County, Kan.; and Samuel J., of this sketch. The father, after the death of his first wife, married Julia Weatherwax, and by that union two children were born, one dying in infancy. The only survivor is Julia C., the wife of Joseph Atkinson, of this county.

In the public schools of Hebron our subject was a student in boyhood. In 1861, at the first call for troops, he enlisted for three months, becoming a member of Company H, Third Ohio Infantry. July 18, 1861, he again enlisted, this time for three years, and was assigned to Company C, Twenty-seventh Ohio Infantry. On the 3d of January, 1863, he was transferred to the marine service on account of physical disability incurred in service, where he suffered from sun stroke, and also had an attack of typhoid fever at Corinth. He participated in the siege of Corinth and the engagements at New Madrid and Island No. 10, as well as numerous minor battles. In the marine service he was on the flag ship "Autocrat," of the Mississippi Marine Brigade Company B. This ship had the distinction of being the first to touch the wharf at Vicksburg after the surrender of that city, 10:10 A. M., July 4, 1863. Our subject was the officer of the day in command of the boat, and was the first Union man to enter the city, being one hour and twenty minutes in advance of Gen. John A. Logan.

January 3, 1865, Mr. Ewing was mustered out of the service and returned to Ohio. After taking a course in a commercial college at Columbus, he was employed as bookkeeper in the First National Bank of that city for two years, when he was obliged to resign on account of poor health. Removing to Illinois, he carried on a boot and shoe business at Bloomington for two years, but his health would not permit him to continue longer. He went back to Columbus, where for some capitalists he organized the Bank of Sparrow, Hines & Co., which he managed for two years. Again he was forced to retire from the business on account of poor health, and returning to Newark, he has since made this city his home, though since the war he has never been strong enough to engage in active business. His life, however, is by no means an idle one, for notwithstanding his forced retirement from business, he still retains the energy of youth.

A Republican in politics, Mr. Ewing has represented the party as delegate to county, district and state conventions, and has been Chairman of the Republican County Executive Committee. During the campaigns his services are in demand as a speaker, and he has frequently "stumped" the state, often speaking from the same platform with William McKinley, Jr., J. B. Foraker, and other famous men. He is connected with Lemert Post No. 71, G. A. R., of which he is Past Commander. As a writer he is successful and popular, and has been a frequent contributor to leading newspapers.

In 1869 Mr. Ewing married Miss Mary Rees, their union resulting in the birth of two sons, one of whom died at the age of two years. The surviving son, James R., is professor of Greek in a college at Ottawa, Kan. The present wife of Mr. Ewing was formerly Miss Annie Watkins; she was born in Newark to Enoch J. and Frances (Rees) Watkins, and has become the mother of two children, Thomas and Frances. The family is identified with the First Presbyterian Church, of Newark.

BRANDT G. SMYTHE. The legal fraternity of Ohio numbers among its most influential and successful members the gentleman with whose name this biographical sketch is presented, and who has conducted an extensive legal practice at Newark for nearly a quarter of a century. He traces his ancestry to Ephraim Smythe, a pioneer of Saratoga County, N. Y., whose paternal ancestors were of English stock, and whose wife was a native of Paris. Referring to the family history, we find that Ephraim Smythe

migrated from Massachusetts to Saratoga County, and made settlement in Galway Township, where he located six hundred acres. This property was eventually divided among his three sons. His death occurred at the age of eighty-two.

The youngest of the three sons of Ephraim was James N. Smythe, who in the spring of 1830 came to Ohio from New York, and in the autumn of the same year settled in Burlington Township, Licking County, where he resided until death. He was first married to Miss Susan Bosworth, a descendant, on her mother's side, of the famous Capt. Miles Standish, while her paternal forefathers originated in Scotland. She was born in Massachusetts, and died after having become the mother of four sons and two daughters, viz.: Orrilla, George Bosworth, Henry P., Charles E., James A. and Susan V. In the spring of 1830, James N. Smythe married Miss Maria, daughter of Nathan Comstock, of Saratoga County, N. Y., and they became the parents of two sons, De Witt and Dwight.

While a resident of New York, Mr. Smythe served as Sheriff of Saratoga County and occupied other positions of honor. During the War of 1812 he was a valiant soldier and commanded a company at the battle of Plattsburg. A man of genial, jovial disposition, he made a friend of everyone he met, and contributed not a little to the early growth of Licking County. He was a man of versatile ability, and at various times conducted a farm, sawmill and cloth manufactory. Among his children was George B., the father of our subject, and one of the eminent men of Ohio, to whose biographical sketch on another page the reader is referred for further facts regarding the family history.

The subject of this sketch has spent his entire life in Licking County, where his birth occurred at Newark, August 21, 1846. After completing the studies of the common schools here, he entered the Military Institute near Frankfort, Ky., and later spent one term in the Washington and Jefferson College, at Washington, Pa. Afterward entering the Union College, of New York, he was graduated from that institution in 1864 with high honors. Under the tutelage of his father he conducted his legal readings, and was afterward admitted to the Bar at Wooster, Ohio. Since that time he has devoted his attention to his large practice in the Supreme Court of Ohio, and the United States Court, and has gained a widely extended reputation as a successful attorney.

A Democrat in politics, Mr. Smythe is not active in the party, excepting during the campaigns, when he is in constant demand as a "stump" speaker. In 1865 he married Miss Sarah, daughter of Philip R. Atcherly, then a prominent merchant of Newark. Mrs. Smythe was born in England, and in childhood accompanied her parents to the United States. Three children were born of this union, of whom the eldest, George, died in infancy. The others, Philip and Lora, are with their parents.

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JAMES M. BROWNE. In presenting the biographical sketches of representative citizens of this county, prominent mention should be made of the successful and influential gentleman with whose name these paragraphs are introduced, and who conducts an extensive and lucrative trade as a grocer at No. 16 West Main Street, Newark. He represents a family long identified with the history of our country, the members of which have been prominent in commercial, professional and social life.

In tracing the genealogy of the family we find that one, Peter Browne, owned property on the present site of the city of Camden, N. J. He was a shipwright by trade, and during the latter part of his life was a resident of Philadelphia. His son William was born in the latter city September 10, 1734. The indenture of apprenticeship, dated May 1, 1748, by which he was bound to a shipwright for seven years, is still in the possession of the family. During the Revolutionary War he was a member of General Washington's staff, and served his country with distinction.

The next in line of descent was Liberty Browne, who was born in Philadelphia about half-past three o'clock on the afternoon of July 4, 1776, being probably the first free-born American citizen of which our country can boast. He became a merchant and manufacturer of gold and silver ware, commencing business with money borrowed from the Franklin loan, a fund set apart by Benjamin Franklin to assist worthy apprentices in starting in business for themselves upon the completion of their apprenticeship. In the War of 1812 Liberty Browne was Paymaster. For nine years he was President of the Council of Philadelphia, and also served as Justice of the Peace. It is worthy of note that while he bore the somewhat unusual name of Liberty, the other members of the household had names equally odd. There was a servant Comfort, a nurse Patience, and two dogs, Peace and Plenty.

One of the members of the family, whose name was a more common one, James M., was born in Philadelphia November 5, 1809, being the sixth among ten children. In the city of his birth he learned the trade of a pattern-maker, and there he also gained a good business education. In 1839 he came to Ohio, settling in Rural Dale, whence in 1840 he removed to Zanesville, in both places giving attention to his trade. In 1848 he came to Newark, and here engaged at his trade, becoming well known as an expert pattern-maker. Not only did he do a large amount of work for people in Newark, but he was also frequently employed by parties from a distance. He was called to New Orleans to make important patterns, and remained there for two years. He

made the first T rail pattern made in this country, but neglected to obtain a patent on it. It is a fact worthy of note that the first patent of invention issued in the United States was for several years in the possession of Mr. Browne. It was granted in 1790, before a patent office was established, and was signed by George Washington, President; Edmund Randolph, Attorney-General, and Thomas Jefferson, Secretary of State. It became the property of Mr. Browne of this sketch, who sold it to his cousin for $200, and he later disposed of it to Mr. Gunther, of Chicago.

When the Civil War broke out and the Confederate army commenced to conscript soldiers, Mr. Browne came north to Ohio. Though too old for army service, he did all in his power to aid the cause of the Union. Before the war he served as City Marshal, and later was a member of the City Council, and was the first Chief Engineer of the Fire Department Newark ever had, serving several years. In 1878 he was elected City Weigh Master and Market Master. In March, 1885, he passed away, aged seventy-six years. In religious belief he was a Methodist, and during his earlier years was active in its various enterprises. He was a stanch advocate of temperance, and the only secret society with which he was connected was the Sons of Temperance.

In 1833, James M. Browne, Sr., married Harriet Bradley, of Philadelphia, and they became the parents of six children, of whom five attained mature years. Nesbitt Liberty resides in Newark; Mary E. married Darwin J. White, who lives in this city; Franklin H., also a resident of Newark, is a well known business man, who was for several years a leading contractor and builder of Newark, and erected a number of the important business blocks of the city. He was also a member of the City Council and Chief of the Fire Department, succeeding his father in that office. Our subject is the next in order of birth; Albert B. died here; and Morris H. is a train dispatcher and makes his home in Newark. Mrs. Browne is still living, at the age of eighty-three, and makes her home in Newark with her eldest son.

Born in Zanesville, Ohio, September 1, 1844, the subject of this sketch was a child of four years when the family located in Newark, and for some years afterward was a student in the public schools. In 1858, at the age of fourteen, he secured a position as clerk in a grocery store. When the war broke out he enlisted in 1861, and although under age was mustered into service July 18, becoming a member of Company C, Twenty-seventh Ohio Infantry, in which he served three years. Among the engagements in which he participated were those at New Madrid, Iuka, Island No. 10 and Parker's Cross Roads, and all the important battles before Corinth. He accompanied General Sherman to Atlanta, and took part in the engagement at that place. Through the entire period of his service he was wounded but once, and then but slightly.

In 1863 our subject received a commission as Captain of a colored regiment, but did not accept the promotion. For a time he was on detached duty in the hospital at Cairo, Ill., to which place he had been sent on account of illness. Soon afterward he was made general ward master in the hospital, where he remained a few months, when he returned to his regiment and served out his term of enlistment. After having been mustered out of the service, he resumed his clerkship in the grocery business, and so continued until 1869, when he embarked in business as a member of the firm of Horn & Browne. Since then he has devoted his attention to his trade when not officiating in a public capacity. However, he was for nearly two years a resident of Cincinnati, Ohio, where he was a member of the Lenwood Furniture Company, and in this concern he is still a Director.

The comfortable and attractive residence at No. 287 North Third Street is the home of Mr. Browne and his family. He was united in marriage, in 1873, with Miss Lillie M. Bourner, and they have become the parents of four children, viz.: Edward S., bookkeeper for the Lenwood Furniture Company; James R., a dealer in bicycles at Newark and an expert in the use of the wheel; Bessie B., who died at the age of twelve years; and Samuel P., who resides with his parents.

In political views Mr. Browne is a Democrat, loyal to the principles for which the party stands. He served for some time as Township Treasurer,

to which position he was first appointed and afterward elected. He was also elected Sheriff, but after filling the office for a short time he resigned in order to devote his attention to his business interests. Socially, he is a Knight Templar and a member of the Union Veterans' League. He is a charter member of Lemert Post No. 71, G. A. R., and is the first officer of the day. Not only has he succeeded in business himself, but through his kind assistance many others have gained a foothold in the business world and have been enabled to win success.

JOHN L. EMERSON, who is now living in retirement from life's active duties, owns and occupies a homestead situated in the suburbs of the village of Concord. He is a native of Licking County, having been born in Liberty Township, November 20, 1821. The Emerson family originated in England, but has long been identified with the history of America. Grandfather James Emerson, who was born in Haverhill, Mass., died at the age of more than threescore years. His family numbered seven children, four daughters and three sons, all of whom attained years of maturity.

Our subject's maternal grandfather, Moses Boyington, was born in Scotland and emigrated thence to America prior to the War of the Revolution, in which he took part. When a boy he was bound out as an apprentice to learn the weaver's trade, and upon completing it was apprenticed to the shoemaker's trade. Then removing to Ware, N. H., he bought and cleared a tract of timber land in a thinly settled community, where there were but six families. The mother of Great-grandfather Emerson had a sister who was captured by the Indians, taken from her family of seven children, the youngest of whom was only a week old, and compelled to walk a distance of one hundred and fifty miles. Determined to regain her freedom, she planned to kill several of her captors, which she did with a tomahawk. She then returned to her home in Concord via the Merrimac River, after having been absent from her family one winter. She had been given up as dead, but surprised her friends by reappearing as suddenly as she was taken away.

The parents of our subject, Stephen and Elizabeth (Boyington) Emerson, were born in Ware, N. H., and came to Ohio in 1815, the journey overland requiring sixty-two days. The father reached Granville with his wife and six children and only seventy-five cents in money. It being prior to the time land was in the market, he "squatted" on a large tract, which he began clearing, but soon left it and bought one hundred acres adjoining the first place. There he resided from 1818 until his death, October 27, 1856, when in his seventy-fifth year. Two years previous to his demise his wife passed away, aged seventy-five. He was a soldier in the War of 1812. In religion he and his wife were Free Will Baptists.

In the family of Stephen Emerson there were four sons and five daughters, of whom three are now living, viz.: Sarah, widow of Josiah Philbrick, and a well preserved old lady of ninety-one years; George E., of Liberty Township, and John L. The others were, Fannie, wife of Page Muzzy; Eliza, who married Rev. David Adams, a minister in the Baptist Church; Jasper; Lucretia, Mrs. Lloyd Belt; Elmira, wife of William Harter, and James Monroe. Our subject has spent his entire life, a period of seventy-three years, in Liberty Township, receiving his education in the old-fashioned district schools. Remaining at home until twenty-three years old, he then learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed for twenty-eight years.

On the 29th of November, 1846, Mr. Emerson married Miss Sarah, daughter of Nicholas Hiler. Three children were born to this union: Mary, who married Stacey Perry, had one child, William S., and is now deceased; Louisa, Mrs. Homer Wells, who lives near Creston, Iowa, and has four children, Mary Lou, Lida Edna, Thornton Langdon and Ethel Minerva; and John, who died in infancy. Mrs. Sarah Emerson died in 1851. Mr. Emerson was again married in October, 1851, choosing as his wife Miss Martha, daughter of John and

Jane (Martin) Rice, natives respectively of Pennsylvania and Virginia. This union resulted in the birth of three children, John William, Carrie Angeline and Addie May. The only son, John W., married Miss Ruby Shrader, has two children, Ina Elizabeth and Fred Langdon, and lives on the old farm where our subject was born. Carrie Angeline, who lives near the old homestead, married George Price and they have two children, Iva May and Ora B. In religion Mr. and Mrs. Emerson are identified with the Methodist Episcopal Church. A Republican in politics, he has served as District Supervisor for one year and has also officiated in other capacities. His home is a pleasant rural abode, surrounded by thirty acres of valuable land and favorably located so as to combine the advantages of country and town life.

Our subject's only surviving brother, George E., was born in Liberty Township, Licking County, April 3, 1819, and now lives within sixty rods of the place where he was born seventy-five years ago. Remaining at home until twenty-one years old he then worked out by the year for three and one-half years, his wages being $100 per year and board. Later he was variously employed for two years, after which he and our subject bought one hundred acres in partnership, engaging in its cultivation for four years. After the marriage of our subject the property was divided. Early in life they went to Iowa and took up four eighty-acre tracts, but soon abandoned their claim and walked back to Licking County, which they have never since left.

February 3, 1851, George E. Emerson married Miss Mary, daughter of William and Susanna (Harper) Foster, natives of Staffordshire, England. Two children were born to them, Amanda and Mary Susanna, the latter dying at the age of twenty-five years. Mr. and Mrs. Emerson now live on a farm of sixty-six acres. They have witnessed the development of the country from a wilderness, and for three years lived with no neighbor nearer than two and one-half miles. At one time they lived without bread for six weeks, and salt was so scarce that his father at one time gave him sixteen bushels of corn for fifty pounds of salt. In his possession he has a half-dollar which he earned when a young man by cutting rails. In the old days he frequently attended "grinding bees," where the neighbors' children would congregate in large numbers and grind the meal for their food by means of a handmill which was so small that it was necessary to have frequent gatherings in order to secure enough meal to supply them with bread. It is worthy of special mention that the parents of our subject were the first settlers of Liberty Township, while he, his brother, George E., and sister, Mrs. Sarah Philbrick, together with Mrs. Wells, are now the oldest surviving residents of the township.

WILLIAM F. HOLTON. In the pursuit of the calling of agriculture, a large number of the progressive citizens of this county have accumulated wealth; others, while not gaining fortunes, have become well-to-do, and among the latter class we mention the name of William F. Holton, the owner and occupant of a farm in the northeast corner of Mary Ann Township. The estate comprises one hundred and sixty-six acres, upon which he has placed valuable improvements, including farm machinery and substantial buildings for the shelter of stock and grain.

Of this county Mr. Holton has been a life-long resident, and in Eden Township he was born April 3, 1849. He is the eldest son of Washington and Margaret (Miles) Holton, natives respectively of Muskingum County and Eden Township, Licking County, but early settlers of this locality. In the parental family there were five sons and four daughters, and with one exception all are now living. William F., of this sketch, was reared to manhood upon the home farm and received such educational advantages as the common schools afforded. His education, however, has been acquired principally in the school of experience, in which he has been an apt pupil.

March 25, 1874, occurred the marriage of Mr. Holton and Miss Maria Billman. Two daughters

bless the union, Clara and Eva, who are at present students in the home schools, and will later be given the advantages of higher educations. The principles of the Democratic party are those which Mr. Holton believes best adapted to promote the progress of the nation, and these he supports with loyalty and devotion. For twelve years he has officiated as Justice of the Peace and has several times been elected Trustee of the township, being the present incumbent of that office. He is now (1894) a candidate for nomination for the office of Commissioner of Licking County, with favorable prospects for success.

For twenty years or more Mr. Holton has been connected with the Masonic fraternity, and belongs to Acacia Lodge No 464, A. F. & A. M., at Wilkin's Run. He is also identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. As a farmer he displays excellent judgment in the rotation of crops, fertilization of the soil and cultivation of the land, and as the result of his efforts he has gained a well deserved prosperity.

SAMUEL J. EVERETT. Through almost the entire period of his life a resident of Licking County, Mr. Everett has a circle of friends as large as his list of acquaintances. He was born April 20, 1825, on the old Everett homestead, near the site of his present residence. From this locality he enlisted with the boys in blue and marched to the front. From here, also, he journeyed to the far west during the days the gold fever prevailed, and three years of his life were spent in the mines of California. With these two exceptions, however, he has resided continuously in this county and is now numbered among the leading citizens of Granville.

The parents of our subject, Samuel H. and Dencey (Warner) Everett, were natives of Granville, Mass., whence the father came to Ohio in 1805, and the mother in 1812. The subject of this notice was reared to manhood upon a farm, receiving a somewhat limited education in the public schools of pioneer days. Arriving at manhood, he selected for his life occupation that of a farmer, but in addition thereto he was for many years interested in buying and shipping stock, and his operations in that line extended over a number of states.

In early life a Whig, Mr. Everett adopted the principles of the Republican party upon its organization as a political body, and to its platform he has ever been loyal. In a number of public positions he has served with credit to himself and to the satisfaction of the people. He has been a member of the Village Council and has also occupied the position of Township Trustee. As a citizen he always identifies himself with any progressive movement for the progress of the community. During war times he stood with unwavering fidelity by the principles of the Union, and at the first call for troops, in 1861, his name was enrolled as a member of Company A, Seventy-sixth Ohio Infantry. Ill health, however, enforced his resignation from the army, but he still continued loyally to uphold the Government until the last cloud of rebellion had faded from the national sky.

In his social connections Mr. Everett is identified with Center Star Lodge No. 11, A. F. & A. M., and also belongs to the chapter and commandery at Newark. For more than thirty years he has been a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and is still active in that fraternity. On the 29 of December, 1853, he was united in marriage with Miss Martha Hobart, a native of Granville, and they are the parents of two sons and two daughters now living. They have been deeply bereaved in the loss of six children by death. Those living are, Mary, wife of Newman Bales, of Texas; Albert S., who is engaged in farming; Arthur G., also an agriculturist, and Hattie, who resides with her parents.

As already intimated, Mr. Everett was one of the thousands who in 1850 sought the El Dorado of America, the golden shores of California. He traveled thither by the overland route and returned to Ohio after an absence of three years, having met with fair success in his speculations. At the present time he is the owner of one hundred

and twenty-seven acres. Formerly his possessions were very much larger, but he has been generous with his children and has started them out in life. To his sons he has presented one hundred and sixty acres. To the poor and needy he is liberal, though his charities are dispensed without ostentation and his kind deeds are quietly performed.

JACOB R. DAVIES, attorney-at-law and an influential citizen of Newark, was born in Granville, Ohio, February 15, 1845, and is a son of David A. and Ann (Reese) Davies. His parents were natives of Wales, the father born February 2, 1809, and the mother February 14, 1813. They were married in the land of their birth and emigrated thence to the United States in 1840, settling on Welsh Hills, Licking County, Ohio. Here they followed the trade of weaving cloth and carpets, and the father also was at times employed as a farm laborer. In 1850 they purchased a home in Granville, and there continued to reside until death, the father passing away in 1886, and the mother in December, 1889. They were consistent members of the Baptist Church, in which the father was Deacon for a number of years.

The family consisted of ten children, three born in Wales and seven in the United States, as follows: David L., a bookkeeper in Columbus, Ohio; Mary Ann, who died unmarried; Sarah Jane, who passed away in childhood; Elizabeth, who died in 1869; Jacob R., our subject; William C., a physician at Granville; Esther Ann, the wife of Dr. William Lynch, of Greenville, this state; Martha Jane, who married Hon. H. B. Swartz, an attorney of Wooster, Ohio; Mary, who married Rev. Frank Swartz and died in 1880, and Ellen, who resides in Newark.

The subject of this sketch was graduated from Denison University with the Class of '69, and two years later completed the studies of the law department connected with the Michigan State University at Ann Arbor. Opening an office in Newark, he was for four years a partner of J. Buckingham, and since then has been alone. While his practice is large and demands a great deal of attention on his part, he also finds time for other interests. He is the Secretary of the Soldiers' Memorial Building which is now in course of erection, and is also Trustee of the Denison University and Shepardson College, at Granville. He is also Director of and attorney for the Security Building & Loan Association.

While independent in politics, Mr. Davies inclines toward the principles of the Republican party, which he believes best adapted to secure the prosperity of the nation. In local affairs, however, he votes for the men and the measures, rather than the party. In religious belief he is a Baptist and for a number of years has been especially active in the work of the Young Men's Christian Association. He was a charter member of the organization at Newark, served as its first President, filling that position for a number of years, and has always been an enthusiastic supporter of the work of the Association.

In 1872 Mr. Davies married Miss Clara, daughter of Washington Crabbe. She was reared in Bucyrus, this state, where her father was a farmer. Her death occurred in 1880, and one of her children, Charles, died at the age of four years. The others are, Elizabeth Rose, Clara Ann and William A. In 1882 Mr. Davies was united with Mary E., daughter of Jacob Anderson, formerly an agriculturist of Licking County. Mrs. Davies was born in this county and is a graduate of Shepardson College in the Class of '69, being a lady of culture and refined tastes.

WALTER PRICHARD, who is living retired in Granville, was born in Oneida County, N. Y., February 12, 1828, and is of Welsh descent. His parents, John and Ealanor (Griffith) Prichard, were born in Wales, emigrated to America in early life, and settled in the Empire

State. Their marriage took place in Oneida County, where the father engaged in farming. They had a family of four sons and three daughters, all of whom attained years of maturity, but only three are living at the present time (1894), namely: Mrs. Mary Perry, of Utica, N. Y.; Walter, the subject of this sketch; and Timothy, the youngest, who resides in San Francisco, Cal.

Upon his father's farm the subject of this sketch passed his boyhood and youth, and received such education as the common schools afforded. At the age of fourteen he left home, and going to New York City, secured a situation as clerk in a dry-goods store, where he remained for eleven years. At the expiration of that time he removed west to Detroit, Mich., and for two years engaged in the same business. From that place he went to St. Louis, Mo., and followed the same occupation six years.

On the 5th of August, 1858, at Granville, Mr. Prichard was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth, only daughter of Gershom and Mary Griffith, who resided upon a farm in Granville Township. In 1861 Mr. Prichard came to this county and engaged in farming with his father-in-law. As an agriculturist he was more than ordinarily successful, and through the exercise of good judgment in all his transactions he became well-to-do. In the spring of 1882 he disposed of his farm property and came to Granville. For four years he was employed as Assistant Cashier of the Bank of Granville, since which time he has lived retired.

In politics Mr. Prichard is a Republican, having supported that party since its organization in 1856. He has never sought political preferment, but served the township for about ten years as Trustee, and the village for four years as Trustee of the water works. He is a friend of education, is public-spirited and progressive, and gives his support to all measures for the public good. In religious belief he is a Congregationalist, though he holds membership with the Presbyterian Church. He has in all his enterprises had the cheerful assistance and co-operation of his estimable wife, who is a lady of noble character. Her parents were both of Welsh descent; her father, for many years an honored citizen of Granville Township, is now deceased, while the mother still survives (1894), at the age of eighty-eight.

Mr. and Mrs. Prichard have never had any children of their own, but a young lady who bears the name of Kate Prichard has found a pleasant home with them since she was four years of age. The family is one of prominence in social circles, and no residents of Granville enjoy the esteem of the community to a greater degree than the subject of this sketch and his estimable wife.

JAMES A. STEWART. In passing through Licking County, the visitor is impressed by the prosperous and attractive appearance of many of the rural homes. Among those that are conspicuous for fine improvements may be mentioned the estate of Mr. Stewart, pleasantly situated in Newton Township, and comprising about two hundred and fifty acres. Here may be observed a commodious residence of modern design, accompanied by a substantial barn and other structures needful to the successful management of a model farm.

Of immediate Scotch descent, the subject of this sketch is the son of the late Alexander Stewart, a native of Glasgow, Scotland, who was brought to America by his parents at the age of three years. At the time of coming to Licking County, he was a mere boy, and here the days of youth were passed upon a farm. In Newton Township he was united in marriage with Miss Fannie Evans, who was born in Pennsylvania. Agriculture was his life calling, and as he was a man of perseverance, prudence and energy, he gained a competence. His death occurred upon his farm in Newark Township, in November, 1865, at the age of sixty-nine years. His widow is still living, though now (1894) at an advanced age.

The parental family consisted of ten children, of whom the fifth in order of birth is James A. He was born in Newark Township, this county, on

New Year's Day of 1831, and was reared to manhood upon his father's farm, gaining a practical education in the district schools. Farming has been his life occupation, and early in life he became familiar with the details connected with the improvement of a farm. About 1859 he settled in Jersey Township, where for four years he engaged in tilling the soil. Thence in 1863 he came to Newton Township and settled upon the farm where he has since resided.

Miss Martha, daughter of Jesse and Belona Williams, was born near Zanesville, Ohio, May 16, 1838, and became the wife of Mr. Stewart in Muskingum County, November 5, 1859. Four children blessed the union, of whom we note the following: Fannie E. is the wife of Amon Coad; Jesse M. married Elizabeth Hollar; William M. chose as his wife Miss Nora Stumm; Mary C. resides with her parents. The family occupies a position of prominence in the social circles of the community, and its various members enjoy the esteem of all their acquaintances.

To the great issues of the age Mr. Stewart devotes the attention which every patriotic citizen should give, and having carefully studied the principles of both great political organizations, he gives his active support and ballot to the Democratic party. He has at various times been chosen by his fellow-citizens to serve in official capacities, and has always rendered efficient and satisfactory service to all concerned. In several of the township offices he has assisted in promoting the welfare of the community of which he is a resident.

JOHN M. PENNEY, the well known florist of Newark, was born in this city May 8, 1849, and is the son of George W. and Ermina G. (Smith) Penney. He was educated in the schools of his native town and in 1869 embarked in business with his father, who during that year established the hot-house and gardens directly across the street from their present location. In 1886 John M. purchased the property he now owns, which consists of seven lots and a residence. Soon afterward he erected the present green houses and now has nearly four thousand square feet under roof. He is the principal florist of Newark, and through energy and good judgment, coupled with a love for the work, he has made a success of his chosen occupation.

October 25, 1881, Mr. Penney married Miss Sara E., daughter of Thomas F. Smith, who was connected with a shoe manufactory in Cincinnati, Ohio. In that city she was born and there continued to live until her marriage. Two children bless the union, Bertha W. and Marvin B. Mr. and Mrs. Penney are members of the Episcopal Church and are highly esteemed, not alone by that congregation, but by all who know them. Politically he is a Republican and casts his ballot and exerts his influence in behalf of the cause of right and justice, but is not prominent nor active in public affairs, concentrating his attention upon his personal interests. Socially he is a member of Newark Lodge No. 13, K. P., and is serving as Master of Acme Lodge No. 554, A. F. & A. M.

In connection with this sketch, it will not be amiss to present some facts connected with the history of the family of which our subject is a worthy representative. The first of the name who came to America were given a tract of land on Cape Cod by the British Government, and there they located, giving their attention to agricultural pursuits. Ammial Penney was born in England, January 18, 1746, and brought his family to America, where he afterward resided. His son John was born in Dutchess County, N. Y., September 19, 1786, and was reared upon a farm. Removing to Jefferson County, he married Polly Brown, the daughter of Quaker parents. He remained in that county, until his death, at the age of eighty-five. His wife passed away when eighty-seven years old. They had two sons and four daughters, and two of the latter died in childhood. One of the daughters is married and lives in Adams, N. Y., while the other, Mrs. Celestine Washburn, died in that city. One of the sons is a grain merchant in Cincinnati, Ohio, while the other is George W., our subject's father.

Born in Lorraine, Jefferson County, N. Y., Octo-

ber 13, 1812, George W. Penney was reared upon a farm until the age of seventeen, when he entered the law office of Judge Skinner and at the same time acted as a clerk in the postoffice. After one year he tired of law and became a clerk in a store. In 1833 he went to New York City, where he joined an uncle who was engaged in the West Indies shipping trade. Unable to find employment in that city, he accepted a position with a gentleman going west, and with him went to Columbus, Ohio, where he engaged as a clerk and bookkeeper for one year. Later he embarked in the dry-goods business and passed through the panic of 1837, but always met his obligations. In the fall of 1838 he sold out and returned to New York City, where he did a brokerage business for one year. He then came back to Ohio, where he formed a partnership with Robert Ellis and carried on a hardware business in Columbus, also opening a store at Newark. Of the latter Mr. Penney took charge, coming to Newark in the spring of 1840.

In the course of a few years the firm dissolved partnership, after which Mr. Penney continued alone for several years. Successful financially, he became Superintendent of construction of what is now the Sandusky, Mansfield & Newark Railroad, but the enterprise proved unfortunate and he lost some $50,000. With what he had left he engaged in the banking business under the title of George W. Penney & Co., and also with others founded the Newark Machine Works. The breaking out of the Civil War demoralized business and caused him to lose another large sum. He then retired from business and has since resided upon the farm near Newark, which he purchased about 1845, and which contains two hundred acres, now embraced in the corporate limits of the city. A portion of this he has platted into city lots, but still retains in his possession about one hundred and fifty acres. His beautiful home is known as Oakwood, and is one of the most charming rural abodes in Licking County, its attractive appearance being largely enhanced by the old forest trees which still stand, the sole survivors of primeval days.

As above mentioned, George W. Penney has been extensively engaged as a gardener and florist. At one time he was largely interested in the raising of sheep and also had one of the finest herds of Short-horn cattle in the state. In July, 1840, he married Miss Ermina G., daughter of Jesse Smith, and a native of Jefferson County, N. Y. She died after having become the mother of ten children, six of whom attained maturity years. Charles G. was a volunteer soldier in the late war and was mustered out as Captain. In 1866 he was commissioned Second Lieutenant in the regular army, but later rose to the rank of Captain of the Sixth United States Infantry, and is now stationed at Pine Ridge, S. Dak. The other members of the family are: John M., our subject; Mary E.; Portia I., wife of William Burt, of New York City; Rosa J. and Edith. Politically the father is a Republican and cast his first vote for William Henry Harrison in 1836.

LUCIUS S. CHADWICK. Not only in Alexandria, of which he is a resident, is Mr. Chadwick well and favorably known, but his name is also recognized by the people of this part of Ohio as that of a prominent worker in the Methodist Episcopal Church. For ten years he has been business manager of the Ohio Conference Camp Meeting Association, a responsible position, which he has filled to the satisfaction of all concerned. He was formerly actively engaged in business, but at present his attention is largely devoted to the settlement of estates and supervision of his eighty-acre farm.

Three generations of the Chadwick family have been residents of Licking County. Our subject's grandfather, Samuel Chadwick, a native of Vermont, removed with his family to Licking County and settled in Granville Township, near the village of that name. Here he remained until death. His children numbered thirteen, of whom Rufus, our subject's father, was one of the younger members. He was born in Granville, in October, 1815, and remained with his parents until about

fifteen years of age, when he became an inmate of a sister's house. While there he learned the trade of a tanner and currier.

On Thanksgiving Day of 1839, Mr. Chadwick married Miss Experience Brickley, who was born in Tompkins County, N. Y., September 24, 1819. They remained in that place until the fall of 1841, when they came to Licking County, remaining in Granville through the winter and then settling in St. Alban's Township. For about twenty-five years he followed his trade, after which he sold out and engaged in farming in a small way until his death, in November, 1878. His wife passed away July 11, 1881. He was an active worker in the Methodist Episcopal Church and was a man of public spirit, always interested in the welfare of his community.

There were but two children in the parental family, Lucius S. and Lydia A. The only son was born in Waterloo, Seneca County, N. Y., September 11, 1840, and was but a child when his parents came to Licking County. He was reared in St. Alban's Township and received a fair common-school education. At the age of eighteen he embarked in the tanning business with his father, whom he succeeded two years later. He continued to carry on the business until 1864, when he disposed of the enterprise. For some time afterward he was variously engaged, then for ten years conducted a grocery, hardware and agricultural implement business. Selling out in 1876, he turned his attention to agriculture, in which he has since been interested.

In public affairs Mr. Chadwick maintains a deep interest. For ten years he has been Justice of the Peace, and also officiated as Constable for some time. Not only is he interested in church work, but in the Sunday-school as well, and filled the position of Superintendent for thirty-two years. Socially he is a member of St. Alban's Lodge No. 491, A. F. & A. M., and Myrtle Lodge No. 350, I. O. O. F. For four years he was Master of the lodge and is its present Chaplain.

At Alexandria, December 31, 1861, Mr. Chadwick married Miss Anna L. Graves, who was born in Granville Township September 1, 1841. She is a daughter of the late N. A. and Louisa M. (Warren) Graves, the former a pioneer of the county, who resided in St. Alban's Township during the last twenty-five years of his life, dying in the winter of 1879–80. He was a man of considerable prominence and took an active part in local affairs. For many years he served as Justice of the Peace and also filled other offices of trust. His widow, who still survives, is now advanced in years. They had nine children, Simeon, Virgil, Anna L., Julius A., Ethelbert N., Carrie E., Kate, Nora and Ida. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Chadwick has resulted in the birth of three children, Anna L., Ira B. and Albert K. The family is highly esteemed socially and its members are justly honored wherever known.

JAMES SANBORN BARRICK owns and occupies two hundred and forty acres of land lying in the townships of Liberty, McKean and Burlington. The property bears the usual improvements made by a man of enterprising spirit and good judgment, and presents an appearance of home comfort attractive to the passer-by. Having come to Licking County in 1833, he knows much of the history of this part of the state, and has contributed his quota to its development. He deserves great credit for the manner in which he has fought the battle of life, as he began his personal career with a very limited capital and little book knowledge. By dint of good habits and fine principles he has won his way to a position of worldly prosperity and gained the esteem of his associates while so doing.

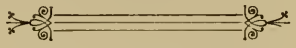
Born in Huntingdon County, Pa., April 24, 1818, our subject is the son of William and Ann (Shockey) Barrick, likewise natives of the Keystone State. With them he came to Licking County in 1833 and settled in McKean Township, where the parents continued to reside until death. James S. was reared to the occupation of a farmer, which has always been his vocation. His educa-

tion was limited to such information as could be obtained in intervals of farm work, from study at the neighboring schools.

Establishing domestic ties, Mr. Barrick was united in marriage October 5, 1837, with Miss Ruth Cross, a native of McKean Township and a member of an old Pennsylvanian family that came to Ohio in an early day. After marriage our subject began life for himself, and one year later, or in 1838, settled in Burlington Township, which has been his home for almost a half-century. Though advancing years prevent him from actively engaging in the tilling of the soil, he still superintends the cultivation of the land, and his progressive spirit is displayed in the many improvements noticeable on the place.

On the 21st of May, 1884, Mr. Barrick was bereaved by the death of his faithful and devoted helpmate. Their union had resulted in the birth of eleven children, of whom two died in infancy; a daughter passed away after attaining years of womanhood; and a son, who enlisted in the Union army, died suddenly while in the service. Three sons and four daughters still survive, namely: William Henry, a farmer of Bennington Township; Robert S., a resident of Johnstown; Ann Miranda, wife of Andrew Harper, of Green County, Wis.; Naomi Jane, who married Rosswell Edwards, of Delaware County, Ohio; Clarissa Adelina, wife of Leroy Miller, of Columbus, Ohio; Samantha Caroline, now Mrs. Newton Cramer, of Hartford Township, and Charles Wesley, whose home is in Burlington Township.

In early life Mr. Barrick was a Democrat, but prior to the Rebellion his sympathies were enlisted in the support of the anti-slavery movement and he joined the Republican party on its organization. He has served a number of terms as Township Trustee. He has always been a steadfast friend of education and the public schools, and the district is largely indebted to him for the splendid schoolhouse they now have. Everything of a public character for the advantage of the community has found in him a supporter. During the greater part of his life he has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and contributes liberally to its support. His life has been one of industry, sobriety and morality, and in the legitimate channels of business he has acquired a competence. In addition to what he still owns he has provided generously for each member of his family.



SAMUEL MOUNT, a prosperous and well known agriculturist of Licking County, residing in Liberty Township, was born in Middlesex, N. J., October 24, 1846, and is a son of Peter and Gertrude (Jobs) Mount, natives of New Jersey. The parental family consisted of four sons and two daughters, of whom three are now living, the others besides our subject being, Richard, a resident of Dickinson County, Kan.; and Charles, whose home is in St. Alban's Township, Licking County.

Upon coming to Licking County about 1855, Peter Mount purchased two hundred acres lying in St. Alban's Township, to the cultivation of which he gave his attention for a number of years. Later removing to Granville Township, he has since made his home there. His first wife, who, like himself, was a devoted member of the Baptist Church, died in that faith many years ago, and for his second wife he chose Mrs. Margaret Harris, also deceased. His present wife bore the maiden name of Emeline C. Brown. Our subject's paternal grandfather was born in New Jersey and there followed the trade of a shoemaker until his death. The maternal grandfather, Jacob Jobs, was also a native of New Jersey.

The subject of this sketch was nine years of age when his parents came to Licking County and he was reared to manhood in St. Alban's Township, receiving a limited education in the schools of the neighborhood. He remained beneath the parental roof until twenty-two years of age, when he began working by the month and continued thus engaged for about ten years. In 1879 he was united in marriage with Miss Nira, daughter of Thomas and Lucinda Glynn. This lady died in February, 1883, after having become the mother of one child that

died at the age of three months. In October, 1887, Mr. Mount was united in marriage with Miss Mary, daughter of Samuel Martindale, and two children have resulted from their union, Gertrude and Ralph. The religious home of the family is in the Baptist Church.

Starting in life without means, Mr. Mount has gradually worked his way to a prominent position among the agriculturists of Liberty Township. His farm consists of eighty-seven acres, the entire tract containing all the improvements of a first-class estate. Everything about the place denotes the careful supervision of the owner, who is justly regarded as one of the leading farmers of this region. Having been a resident of Licking County for a period of thirty-five years, he has witnessed much of the development of the county, and has himself been an important factor in its progress.

The political views of Mr. Mount bring him into affiliation with the Republican party, with which he is actively identified. Upon that ticket he has been chosen to serve in a number of local offices of trust and honor, and at the present time is serving as Supervisor of Liberty Township. By working hard, saving what he had earned and investing it with care, he has become one of the well-to-do men of the township. He takes an active interest in all matters pertaining to the public welfare, and having been so long and intimately associated with the agricultural affairs of the community, he enjoys a wide acquaintance and the confidence of many friends.

JACOB A. MILLER. One of the finest farms in Mary Ann Township (and indeed one of the best in all Licking County) is that owned and occupied by the subject of this biographical sketch. It comprises three hundred and twenty-one acres, upon which have been placed all the improvements to be seen upon a model estate. A substantial set of farm buildings has been erected, including a comfortable residence, a commodious barn and other outbuildings adapted to their varied purposes.

A native of the township in which he now resides, our subject was born February 27, 1832, and is a son of Jacob and Sarah (Wilkin) Miller. His parents were among the earliest settlers of Mary Ann Township, having come hither as early as 1817. Here they continued to reside until death, the father passing away in 1853, and the mother some years afterward. Six sons and three daughters constituted the parental family, of whom four sons and one daughter survive. Elizabeth, the widow of Isaac N. Blizzard, resides in Newark; David, who has been three times married, is a farmer living at Hartford, Ohio; H. G. is a farmer of this township; Lionel, a farmer, resides in Mary Ann Township. Those deceased are, Levi, who died in 1856, leaving a widow and two children; Michael C., who died in Coffee County, Tenn., in 1892, leaving a widow and five children; and Lydia, who married Mahlon Farnsworth and died in 1888, leaving three children living; three are deceased.

The early education of our subject was such as was afforded by the common schools of his day. Arriving at manhood, he was united in marriage, in 1859, with Miss Sophia L. Ashton, a resident of Union Township, this county. Mrs. Miller passed away in 1883, leaving five children, viz.: Ohio V., Elmer O., Jacob H., Frank and Minnie, all of whom with the exception of Frank have engaged in teaching. They have received excellent educational advantages. Jacob is a graduate of Bethany (W. Va.) College; Frank, who was graduated from the Columbus Medical College, is now a practicing physician of Virden, S. Dak.; Minnie will finish the course at Bethany College in 1894; Elmer O. is at present a student in the Columbus Medical College.

The second marriage of Mr. Miller occurred in 1885 and united him with Miss Margaret Stevens, who was born in Licking County in 1844, being the daughter of Lewis A. and Sarah Stevens. Her father, who died about 1884, served for six years as Treasurer of Licking County and was a man of influence here. Her mother is still living and makes her home in Newark. Mr. and Mrs. Miller

are the parents of one child, Stanton Le Roy, who was born in 1888 and is an unusually intelligent child.

The family is one of prominence in social circles and is especially active in the Disciples' Church. Jacob H. is a minister in that denomination and took a post-graduate course in theology at Bethany College, since which time he has continued his studies at home. Not having enjoyed many advantages in his youth, Mr. Miller has been especially anxious that his children should have every opportunity possible, and it is due to his efforts that they are all well educated and honorable members of society. While usually voting the Democratic ticket, he is independent in politics, supporting the men and the measures rather than any fixed party. He is a man of strict integrity, widely known and respected as an upright citizen whose word is as good as his bond.

HENRY K. STICKLE, a prominent agriculturist of Mary Ann Township, was born in Coshocton County, Ohio, July 13, 1849, and at the age of four years was brought to Licking County by his parents, Thompson and Martha J. (Chapin) Stickle. Coshocton County was the birthplace of both parents. The father, who was born in 1818, died December 7, 1883, at the home of Henry K. The mother, whose natal year was 1828, is still living (1894) and makes her home in Eden Township with her youngest son.

There were ten children in the parental family, all of whom are now living. Of the others besides our subject we note the following: Adin S., a farmer of Washington Township, married Miss Sarah Hickey, and they have four children now living; James C. first married Melissa Stillwell, and after her death was united with Ellen Lynn; Susan, a resident of Eden Township, married Leonard Stevenson, and they are the parents of six children; Eli J., who is married, resides in Kenton, Ohio, where he is an influential attorney-at-law; George M., who is engaged in the manufacture of ice cream at Newark, married Mary Coffman, and they have four children; Enos, after following the railroad business for several years, received injuries which rendered his retirement necessary, and now lives on a farm in Newton Township; Mary married Perry Winters, a carpenter living in Newark; John, who is unmarried, is cultivating the old homestead in Eden Township; and Minnie married Oliver Taylor, an agriculturist of Eden Township.

Upon the home farm Henry K. Stickle grew to a sturdy manhood, well fitted for the active career of a farmer, which he chose as his life occupation. He remained at home until his marriage, which important event occurred August 30, 1873. His wife bore the maiden name of Mary J. Smith; she is the daughter of Joseph and Margaret (Woodruff) Smith, natives of New Jersey, who came to Ohio when quite young, and were married in Licking County, August 18, 1851. After the death of Mr. Smith, which occurred in 1875, his widow married Joseph Walton, and is at present living in Mary Ann Township. Mrs. Stickle is the only living child of her parents, two brothers having died in infancy.

Five children bless the union of Mr. and Mrs. Stickle, namely: Charles H., who was born October 1, 1876; Thomas W., November 25, 1883; Ray B., June 20, 1887; Oren J., July 29, 1891, and Roxie Margaret, February 24, 1893. The older children are students in the neighboring schools, and are being trained for positions of usefulness and honor in the world. Mr. and Mrs. Stickle own jointly one hundred and eighty-eight acres of well improved land, all of which is in a high state of cultivation. This is devoted to the raising of cereals and stock, and from these departments of agriculture Mr. Stickle derives a good income. Not a little of his success he owes to his wife, who is not only a lady of amiable disposition and refined manners, but a thorough business woman as well, possessing excellent judgment and sound common sense. In all his enterprises, she is his counsellor and efficient helpmate. Politically he is a Repub-

lican, and socially affiliates with the Knights of the Maccabees and the Patriotic Order of Sons of America. As a man of upright character and honorable life he is held in high esteem by all who know him.

BENJAMIN C. WOODWARD, a civil engineer residing on a farm in Hanover Township, is a native of Brookeville, Montgomery County, Md. On coming to Ohio, he settled with his parents near Mansfield, Richland County, but subsequently removed to Coshocton County, where his father and mother died. He pursued the usual studies of the common schools, and when about eighteen years of age he entered Kenyon College, where he took a classical course covering four years' study. He was graduated from that institution in 1842 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and three years later the degree of Master of Arts was conferred upon him. His education was thorough, and he is familiar with both the Greek and Latin languages.

For several years after graduating, Mr. Woodward engaged in teaching, and acted as correspondent to several of the leading weekly newspapers and magazines. For four years he was Principal of the Coshocton schools. During this time he devoted considerable attention to the higher mathematics, especially geometry and descriptive geometry, so that on leaving the school room, he at once entered upon duty as a civil engineer for the Steubenville & Indiana Railroad, subsequently known as the Pan-Handle. He assisted in establishing the line between Steubenville and Newark, which consumed about three years' time, though he was not obliged to devote his entire attention to this enterprise.

Subsequently Mr. Woodward served as constructive engineer from Newark to Frazersburg, and superintended the heavy cuts, culverts, arches, etc., near Hanover. Drafts of these he still preserves, which display his superior skill as a draftsman and mathematician. He occupies and owns a fine farm consisting of about one hundred and twenty-two acres, which he operates by hired help, his attention being devoted principally to brokerage, discounting notes and loaning money.

The first marriage of Mr. Woodward united him with Miss Sarah A. Galbraith, a native of Muskingum County, Ohio, who died in March, 1865, after having become the mother of two children. William Henry is married, and at present engages in farming in Knox County, Ohio; and Ida May, the wife of William Fleming, lives on a farm in Hughes County, S. Dak. In 1867 Mr. Woodward married Miss Mary Olivia Onion, a native of Baltimore County, Md., and a representative of one of the most prominent families of that state. Mrs. Woodward is an accomplished and well educated lady, and is popular in society. Though reared in the Episcopal faith, she is not a member of any church organization, and Mr. Woodward is also liberal in his religious views.

At first an adherent of the Whig party, Mr. Woodward united with the Republicans upon the organization of that party, but when Horace Greeley allowed his name to come before the Democrats, Mr. Woodward followed the example of that famous but unfortunate statesman and has since been identified with that political organization. He is a talented writer and sustains an enviable reputation in the community. A terse, concise and interesting writer, he is at the present time the regular correspondent for several leading papers and magazines.

PETER COFFMAN. Having spent almost his entire life within the limits of Licking County, Mr. Coffman is well known here, and by his honorable and upright life he has gained the esteem of all with whom he has had business or social relations. His occupation is that of a farmer, and he is successfully engaged in tilling the soil of his valuable property situated in Newton Township. He was reared to

agricultural pursuits and in his boyhood gained a thorough knowledge of the best methods of tilling, fertilizing and improving the land, so that he is now a practical and progressive farmer, bringing to bear upon his work a large fund of energy, determination, perseverance and broad information.

Referring to the parental history of our subject, we find that his father, Wesley Coffman, was born in Virginia, and thence removed westward to the Buckeye State, settling in Licking County. Here he met and married Miss Marietta Smith, who was born in Newton Township. After his marriage he settled in this township, where he entered upon the active career of an agriculturist. In October, 1887, he was bereaved by the loss of his wife, who passed away while visiting relatives in Kansas City, Mo. For a few years afterward he continued to make his home in this county, but in April, 1891, moved to Pike County, Ohio, where he now resides.

In the parental family there were thirteen children, of whom Peter is the eldest. His birth occurred in Newton Township, Licking County, December 7, 1848, and upon his father's farm he grew to manhood, alternating attendance at the district schools with work upon the home place. He remained with his parents until he attained his majority, and with the exception of six years spent in Indiana he has always made his home in this county. Many changes has he witnessed in the aspect of the country, and to its growth and improvement he has largely contributed, for while advancing his personal interests he has also promoted the welfare of his fellow-citizens.

March 13, 1873, in Licking County, Mr. Coffman was united in marriage with Miss Clara Rees. This estimable lady was born in Washington County, Pa., June 16, 1851, and is the daughter of Benjamin and Mary Jane Rees. In all the efforts and enterprises planned by her husband, Mrs. Coffman is his devoted and efficient assistant, and to her ability, energy and tireless industry he owes no small portion of his success. They are the parents of five children: Philip, Benjamin, Wylie, Cary and Mary, bright and intelligent young people, in whose education the parents are deeply interested.

In local and national political affairs Mr. Coffman takes a deep interest, and is an advocate of the principles for which the Democratic party stands. Several times he has been chosen by his fellow-citizens to fill local offices of trust, and in these he has rendered efficient service. Twice he has been elected Trustee of Newton Township, and is the present incumbent of the office.

ALFRED BOURNE, a farmer and stock-raiser of Madison Township, was born in Kent, England, December 21, 1825. His parents, James and Mary (Nye) Bourne, were of English nativity and emigrated to America when Alfred was a boy of eleven years. Settling in Licking County, Ohio, they resided here until their deaths, the father passing away in 1856, at the age of sixty-six, and the mother in 1878, when ninety-five years old.

The youngest child in the parental family was the subject of this sketch, who, accompanying his parents to this county, grew to manhood among the pioneers of this section. Although he attended the subscription schools, his educational advantages were very limited, and the knowledge he now possesses has been mainly self acquired. In youth and early manhood he spent his winters mostly in hauling wood to Newark, there being no other fuel here at that time. For this work he usually received pay in silver coin, Mexican and Spanish, and this was about the only product of the farm from which cash was realized. The development of the coal mines, however, soon ruined the wood market.

In 1848 Mr. Bourne was united in marriage with Miss Anna Kislingbery, also a native of England, born in the town of Wallingford, Berkshire, in 1830. Her parents, William and Jane (Harvard) Kislingbery, were natives of Berkshire,

England, and emigrated thence to America in 1842, settling in Licking County. Here the mother died in 1886, at the age of seventy-seven, and the father died two years later, at about the same age. Three children were born to them, Mrs. Bourne being the eldest. Louisa married B. Deming, became the mother of two children and died when about thirty. Thomas, whose sketch is presented on another page, resides on a portion of the old homestead.

To Mr. and Mrs. Bourne have been born eleven children, of whom eight are now living. Mary Jane, who first married Henderson Kran and became the mother of two children by that union, afterward became the wife of Henry Hughes, of Madison Township, whom she bore two children. Louisa R. married Calvin Allison, the engineer in the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad shops at Newark, and they have four children. Alfred, who married Martha Reed and had one child, a son, died at the age of twenty-eight. Thomas, Ellen, George, Emma and Ben are at work, the sons cultivating the farm, and George is also now serving as Assessor of Madison Township. Carrie is the wife of Volney Nichols, of Madison Township, and they have one child. Martha A. and James W. died in infancy.

In religious views Mr. and Mrs. Bourne are not members of any church organization, but believe in the Gospel of the Son of God, and several of their children are active workers in the church. A Republican in politics, Mr. Bourne takes an active interest in public affairs. His sons, as well as a grandson living with him, are all sturdy advocates of Republican principles. Notwithstanding the fact that the township is Democratic, George was elected Assessor on the Republican ticket, a fact which proves his popularity as a citizen and officer. The home farm consists of one hundred and seven acres, and is embellished with a comfortable residence, where friends are always welcome and strangers cordially received. The hospitality of the family is well known, and the genial, jovial manners of Mr. Bourne invariably win the friendship of his associates.

HON. JOHN C. MALONE.

Hon. John C. Malone.

HON. JOHN C. MALONE, Postmaster at Granville, was born November 5, 1832, in Scioto County, Ohio, at a place known as Chaffin's Mills. He is of Irish descent, his paternal great-grandfather having been a native of the Emerald Isle, whence he emigrated to Virginia and settled in Loudoun County. The grandfather, Richard Malone, was born in the Old Dominion, and in 1790 moved to Greenbrier County, W. Va., whence in 1802 he brought his family to the French grant in Ohio.

The father of our subject, Isaac Malone, was born in Greenbrier County, W. Va., and married Mary Perry, whose parents came to Ohio from Kentucky, settling in Scioto County, where she was born. They reared a family of four sons and four daughters, of whom all but one grew to maturity, and five of the number are now living. John C. was reared upon his father's farm, and early in life gained a practical knowledge of agriculture. His education was obtained in the common schools of the locality, and to the knowledge there gained he has constantly added by observation and reading.

August 5, 1864, Mr. Malone enlisted in Company D, One Hundred and Seventy-third Ohio Infantry, and assisted in raising the company with which he served. He was in the south with his regiment until the close of the war, when he was mustered out June 26, 1865, at Nashville, Tenn. He participated in the battle of Nashville, as well as a number of skirmishes, and was commissioned Captain September 15, 1864. Previous to enlistment, he had been called out a number of times as a member of the militia to do service in defense of the Union.

Returning to the farm, Captain Malone engaged in agricultural pursuits for a year. In 1866 he was elected Sheriff of Scioto County, and two years later was re-elected, serving four years altogether. His record as a public official reflected such credit upon his abilities, that in 1871 he was chosen to represent Scioto County in the State Legislature, in which he served for two years. In

the spring of 1880 he came to Granville and engaged in the grocery business for a couple of years. He has for years been one of the most prominent Republicans of this part of the state, but numbers his friends among both political parties. For ten years in Scioto County, and eight since a resident of Granville, he was Justice of the Peace, and in 1889 was appointed Notary Public. For two years he served as Assessor, having filled that position for a like period in his native county. June 14, 1890, he was appointed Postmaster at Granville, and assumed the duties of the office the 1st of July following.

August 17, 1856, Mr. Malone married Miss Eunice Chaffin, by whom he had four sons and three daughters. The wife and mother died August 18, 1877, and one child is also deceased. The others are: Cynthia C., a teacher in Tacoma, Wash.; W. L., who is professor of mathematics in the same place; Charles S., Deputy Postmaster at Granville; John E., a teacher in the Indian service at Dungeness, Wash.; Lucy E., also a teacher in Tacoma; and Ernest F., who is court stenographer at Winchester, Ky. In 1878 Captain Malone married Mrs. Irwin, of Lawrence County, who died in 1887. His present wife, whom he married in 1888, was Mrs. C. I. Ellis.

Socially, Captain Malone is a member of Lemert Post No. 71, G. A. R., of Newark. In politics and in educational interests he takes an active interest, always supporting progressive measures. In his habits he is temperate, always abstaining from the use of intoxicating liquors. He and his wife are members of the Baptist Church, and are prominent in the best society of the place.

WILLIAM H. HICKEY. The agricultural interests of Mary Ann Township have an honorable and successful representative in the subject of this sketch, who is conducting farming pursuits upon his finely improved estate lying on section 25. Now in the prime of his useful career, the success he has attained is attributable to the possession of an evenly balanced mind and indomitable perseverance. He possesses the wisdom and foresight to formulate his plans, together with the energy and decision to execute them. In the course of his busy life he has met with many obstacles, but he has persevered and gained success.

Upon the farm where he now lives our subject was born June 15, 1858, and is the youngest son of the late William H. Hickey, Sr. The latter was twice married, his first wife being Sarah Shambaugh, who bore him five children, two now living, Allen and Edward. The former is a minister in the Disciples' Church at Des Moines, Iowa; he married Julia Bell and they have four daughters. Edward, who lives at Utica, Ohio, married Barbara Wilkin, and after her death was united with Mary Wilkin. Henry and Joseph both died at the age of about fifty years.

The father of this family was born in Virginia in 1797 and was a youth at the time of the opening of the War of 1812, in which he enlisted and served for three years. Afterward he came to Coshocton, Ohio, where he married Miss Shambaugh. Later he came to Mary Ann Township, where he took a ten years' lease of forty acres of land. Prior to the expiration of the time he purchased the farm and here the survivors of his family now live. On this farm his first wife died about 1826. In 1844 he married Miss Harriet Moore, who was born in the vicinity of her present home in March, 1822. Her parents were pioneers of the county, and her father, Thomas Moore, entered land from the Government.

The second marriage of W. H. Hickey, Sr., resulted in the birth of three children, of whom our subject is the youngest. David, a resident of Newark, married Miss Phœbe Brown and they have one daughter. Elizabeth is the wife of Henry Metz, of Newark. Our subject received a fair education in the district schools and in youth became familiar with farm work. He inherited a portion of the old homestead, which he has since cultivated. September 6, 1881, he married Miss Ida Hull, a daughter of Joseph and Fannie (Brown) Hull, of Henry County, Ohio. Mrs. Hickey came to Mary Ann Township to visit relatives, but meet-

ing Mr. Hickey, was persuaded to establish her permanent home here. Three children were born of their union, Eury, Vivian and Bessie. Vivian died at the age of ten months.

In addition to operating his own farm, Mr. Hickey also has charge of his mother's estate, which is mostly rented. In the entire farm there are one hundred and ninety-seven acres, well cultivated and improved with good buildings. His mother lives alone on the old homestead, William H. occupying an adjoining farm. In politics he is a Republican and takes an intelligent interest in state and national affairs. He and his wife are identified with the Disciples' Church, which was also the religious home of his father.

STEWART BARNES is well known among the agriculturists of Mary Ann Township as the owner and occupant of a finely improved farm situated on section 16. This has been his life-long home, and here he was born March 5, 1834. The property has been in the possession of the family for three generations, his paternal grandfather having come hither from Virginia in 1811, and three years later located the portion of the farm on which the residence now stands.

The subject of this sketch is the second son and fourth among the children of Charles and Mary (Stewart) Barnes. The father came to Licking County with his parents in 1811, when a youth of fifteen years, and in Mary Ann Township, in 1826, was united in marriage with Miss Mary Stewart, who was born in Huntingdon County, Pa., October 12, 1804. Of their family we note the following: Ann is married and lives in Clark County, Mo. Catherine married E. Stewart, of Pennsylvania, and died in 1863, after having reared three children. Nathan went to California in March, 1854, and there married, bought a ranch and engaged in farming until May, 1884, when he was killed by a runaway team. Rachel J. is the widow of S. C. Pound, and lives on a farm near Litchfield, Ill. Eleanor C. is the wife of Rev. J. Rea Stockton, of Trumbull County, Ohio. Mary L. became the wife of James Ash and resides in Grant County, Oregon. Emma C. is the wife of J. T. Ogle, a farmer living near Litchfield, Ill.

In his boyhood Stewart Barnes was a student in the public schools of Mary Ann Township, and by the exercise of studious habits and a retentive memory has become a very intelligent and well informed gentleman. Travel has added to his culture and increased his fund of knowledge. In 1883 he took a trip to the Pacific Ocean, visiting his brother in California, and has frequently traveled through the western states, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Iowa, etc. A practical and progressive farmer, he is also a successful stock-raiser. His fine farm is improved with excellent buildings, and at his model home affluence and comfort are everywhere apparent. One hundred and twenty acres comprise the homestead, which is under good cultivation and yields large harvests in return for the care bestowed thereon.

On the 3d of December, 1861, Mr. Barnes was united in marriage with Miss Virginia Jones, who was born in Newark, Ohio, April 8, 1838, being the only surviving child of Isaac and Catherine (Horn) Jones, the father a native of Wales and the mother of German ancestry. Unto the union of Mr. and Mrs. Barnes were born five children, one of whom died in infancy. The eldest, Charles Stewart, who was born September 29, 1862, was but a day old when our subject received a peremptory invitation to enter the service of the Union as a soldier. Feeling that it was his duty to remain at home and care for his young wife and infant son, he secured a substitute, who served for three years.

Of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Barnes we note the following: Charles S. was graduated from the Ohio Wesleyan University in 1891, and for a year thereafter taught in the academy at Williamsport, Pa., and then accepted the position of Principal of the schools at Salem, Ohio, which he still holds. William H. died at the age of twelve months. Mary

C., who was born January 11, 1867, is a graduate of the Ohio Wesleyan University with the Class of '92, and for the past two years has been an instructor in the Howard Payne College, at Fayette, Mo. Edward H. was born the 20th of September, 1869. For five years he attended the Ohio Wesleyan University, but owing to ill-health he acted upon the advice of his physician and went to California, and immediately on his arrival there entered Stanford University, at Palo Alto, becoming a member of the senior class, and was graduated from that institution May 30, 1894. He is also a graduate of the Ohio Wesleyan University. He is a most exemplary young man, and his friends predict for him a brilliant future. Oren J., the youngest child, was born May 22, 1877, and is now in the preparatory course at the Ohio Wesleyan University.

Socially, Mr. Barnes is connected with Acacia Lodge No. 464, A. F. & A. M., of which he is a charter member. He also belongs to Warren Chapter at Newark. In politics he is a stanch Republican, and in that respect his sons are following in his footsteps, as without an exception they advocate the principles of that party. While he was reared in the faith of the Presbyterian Church, he is now a communicant in the Methodist Episcopal Church, with which his family is also identified.

GEN. GEORGE B. SMYTHE. Among the citizens of Ohio, and especially in the legal fraternity, the name of this gentleman will be revered long after he shall have passed from earth. He is the oldest lawyer in the Buckeye State, both in point of age and years of practice, and aside from this distinction is also one of the most eminent attorneys the country has ever seen. Now in the twilight of his honorable and useful career, he still actively engages in the practice of the profession that has brought him wealth and fame.

Born in Saratoga County, N. Y., in March, 1807, the subject of this sketch is the son of James N. and Susan (Bosworth) Smythe. At the age of fifteen he was orphaned by his mother's death, and as the family then broke up housekeeping he was thrown entirely upon his own resources. For a year he clerked in a cousin's store in Washington County, N. Y., after which he took under his care his youngest brother and they both attended school for one year. When seventeen he commenced to teach and was thus engaged for some time, meantime pursuing his studies with diligence and determination.

In the spring of 1830 our subject accompanied his father to Ohio, and during the following winter taught the village school at New Richmond. In the spring of 1831 he joined his father at Homer, and there remained until the opening of the Ohio Canal, the head of navigation of which was then at Newark. He then took a canal-boat to Cleveland, crossed the lake to Buffalo, went down Erie Canal to Schenectady and there passed the examination, entering the junior class of Union College. From that institution he was graduated in the summer of 1833.

His education completed, Mr. Smythe went to Washington City, where he taught a year in the Classical and Mathematical Academy on Capitol Hill, and devoted his leisure hours to the study of law, under the tutelage of Gen. Walter Jones, of that place. About that time he began to display the ability as an orator and writer, for which he was afterward noted. For a time he wrote over the signature of "Buckeye in Washington" a series of letters that were published in the Cincinnati *Gazette*, also another series for the Ohio *State Journal*. On the 4th of July, 1835, he delivered an oration at Utica, which was afterward published and brought him considerable fame.

On the 28th of March, 1836, Mr. Smythe was admitted to the Bar at Portsmouth, and at once entered upon the practice of his profession. In 1838 he was commissioned Colonel of the First Regiment, Ohio Volunteer Militia, and on the 8th of July, 1857, was chosen Major-General of the Four-

teenth Division. In 1860 he was a delegate to the Charleston Convention and voted steadily for the nomination of Douglas, but his visit to the south showed him that trouble overshadowed the country, and on his return to the north he began to prepare for war, though his preparations were ridiculed by others less well informed than himself.

In politics so long as the Whig party existed General Smythe was a firm supporter of its principles. After its disruption in 1852 he united with the Democratic party, by which he has since stood, in storm and sunshine, with unshaken fidelity. While not solicitous for official honors, his fellow-citizens have upon a number of occasions prevailed upon him to represent them in various positions of responsibility. In 1861 he took the position of a War Democrat by introducing at the Newark Convention certain resolutions characterized by such honesty of motive and conservatism that he carried with him the entire Democratic party, and was at once invited to become their candidate for Representative at Columbus. Elected by a large majority, he served his constituents with efficiency and fidelity for two years, declining re-election. His address while a member of the legislature upon "Arbitrary Arrests" is still remembered as one of the finest efforts made by any statesman during those trying days of war.

In 1866 General Smythe was elected by the Democratic party a delegate to the Philadelphia Convention, composed of about an equal number of Democrats and Republicans, all of whom sustained President Johnson. He was also a member of the state convention that met at Cleveland in 1868 and was subsequently appointed delegate to the Democratic Convention at Baltimore that nominated Horace Greeley for President. Though now in the twilight of life he retains the vigor and mental activity of days gone by. In 1894 he attended a lawsuit in the western part of North Carolina, making the trip to that part over mountains overland, a journey which would be deemed very fatiguing by most men fifty years his junior. The suit in which he was then interested and which required his presence in that state involved the title to a large and valuable tract of land. At present he is engaged upon the case of James H. Smith vs. Baltimore & Ohio Railway Company, which he has carried through all the courts.

The lady who for many years was the faithful helpmate of General Smythe was Sarah, daughter of Amos H. Caffee, a pioneer of Newark and Mayor of the city for several years. She died at the age of fifty-nine, after having become the mother of eight children. Brandt G. is represented elsewhere in this volume. Julia married Dr. P. J. Akin, of Honolulu. Lora is deceased. Irene, Mrs. John Benton, resides with her father. Douglas C. is a resident of Newark. Sattie is the wife of Fred Seymour, of Newark.

WILLIAM PIGG. Occupying a most picturesque and beautiful location, apart from the distracting influences of city life, stands the cozy home of this gentleman, who is one of the successful farmers and stock-raisers of Madison Township. From youth he has been engaged in agricultural pursuits, and has a thorough knowledge of the best methods of rotating crops and fertilizing the soil. His farm consists of one hundred and thirty-six acres of tillable land in a high state of cultivation, and the place is one of the most finely improved the locality can boast.

In the neighborhood of his present home the subject of this sketch was born March 22, 1839, being the third among five children born to George and Jane (Knox) Pigg. The parents were natives of Northumberland County, England, and were among the first settlers of Ohio, coming hither soon after the removal of the Indians to the forests of the west. The father when he came to Licking County had no means, but he possessed a stalwart physique and an abundance of energy and industry. During his active years he accumulated a fine property, the benefits of which his children are to-day enjoying. At the time of his death, which occurred in 1862, he owned two hundred

acres of land, which was afterward divided among the children.

In England George Pigg was reared in the faith of the Episcopal Church, but after coming to America he united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, and remained a faithful member of that denomination until his death. His wife also belonged to that church. She survived him for many years, passing away in 1886, and now lies buried by his side in the Newark Cemetery. In social and religious circles he was quite prominent, and few pioneers of the county were better known and none more highly esteemed than he.

The subject of this sketch attended the common schools of the county, and thus acquired a good rudimentary education, to which he has added by self-culture. At the age of twenty-three he started out in life for himself, and since then has conducted farming pursuits. As an agriculturist he is progressive and practical, and has materially increased the value of the property left him by his father. In political matters he is ever interested and affiliates principally with the Democratic party, although he is somewhat independent in his views. In 1877 he married Miss Dora, daughter of John and Mary Holtz, and an accomplished lady, who has assisted her husband in all his enterprises. She is a member of the Christian Church and an active worker in the cause of religion.

M W. SUTER, M. D., a practicing physician and well known resident of Perry Township, was born in Brooke County, Va., January 9, 1836. He is the son of Strother T. and Mary Duke (Wheatley) Suter, natives respectively of Front Royal, Va., and Brownsville, Pa., the latter having been in childhood a schoolmate of the famous statesman, James G. Blaine. The father was a miller by trade, and continued to reside in the Old Dominion until his demise. His wife survived him for nine years.

In the parental family there were four sons and four daughters, of whom the following are living: Mrs. Kate Anderson, of California; Dr. M. W., of this sketch; Theresa A., who lives at Brilliant, Ohio; Sarah Eliza, who is married and resides in Brilliant; and James P., an engineer, who lives at Powellton, Fayette County, W. Va. Being a representative of an old southern family, and having spent his entire life in the Old Dominion, it was but natural that our subject should advocate with enthusiasm the cause of the south during the great civil strife. He enlisted in 1861 as a member of the Twenty-second Virginia Infantry, and served for one year, participating in the engagements at Cross Lanes and Carnifax Ferry, and also in other skirmishes. Later he was transferred to the Thirty-sixth Battalion of Virginia Cavalry, under General Jenkins, and served until the close of the war. For a time he was under the lamented Stonewall Jackson.

Twice our subject was taken prisoner and incarcerated at Camp Chase, Ohio, and twice he was exchanged, but during the battle and after the surrender of Appomattox, he was placed under a parole that has not yet expired. He was studying medicine at the time the war broke out, and his studies were thus interrupted until 1865, when he entered the Eclectic Medical College at Philadelphia, and was graduated from that institution April 7, 1867. During the following year he attended lectures at the Eclectic Medical Institute of Cincinnati. In 1876 he took a course of lectures in the Columbus Medical College. His literary studies had also been pursued with determination and perseverance, and for four years he was a student in Bethany College, from which he was graduated in the classical course at the age of twenty-one.

At various places Dr. Suter has followed his profession with success. He resided for a time at Zanesville, also in Taylorsville and Blackhand, and lived in Newark for eighteen years. There he assisted in starting and conducting the first daily newspaper of the place, and for several years he was correspondent to several leading papers of the state. Politically, he is a Jeffersonian Democrat. Socially, he is identified with various medical societies, also the Licking County Pioneer So-

ciety and the Agricultural Society. He is an active member of the Disciples' Church, to which his wife also belongs.

Dr. Suter has been twice married. His first union, which was with Miss Caroline Toland, resulted in the birth of two children: Claude, who is in business in St. Louis; and Maude M., who married Charles H. McLashland and resides at Caldwell, Ohio. Mrs. Caroline Suter died in 1888, and the Doctor married Mrs. Rebecca J. Nichols in 1893. This estimable lady was living here at the time of her marriage to Dr. Suter, and was the widow of Thomas Nichols, formerly a prominent citizen of Mary Ann Township, to whom she bore three children. The only one now living is Louis H. Farris, who served for seventeen months in the Thirteenth Ohio Cavalry, and is now living with Dr. Suter. The family is highly esteemed in the social circles of the community, and is one of the most highly respected in the county.

THOMAS KISLINGBERY. The success which has attended the efforts of Mr. Kislingbery entitles him to more than passing mention in this volume. As a farmer he has been progressive and enterprising, and as a citizen he has long ranked among the most public spirited of Madison Township's residents. The farm which he owns and operates consists of one hundred and fifty-two acres, and is pleasantly located in the northwest corner of the township.

Born near London, England, September 29, 1836, the subject of this notice was but four years old when brought to America by his parents, William and Jane (Harvard) Kislingbery. They were natives of the same locality as that in which our subject was born, and both died on the farm where he now lives. The father was the first to establish the name of Kislingbery in the United States. He was a blacksmith by occupation and had a shop on the Zanesville Road for thirty years. For a long time he manufactured the Eagle Fanning Mill, now generally used throughout the state of Ohio.

In the family there were three sons and three daughters. Two died in England and one in America in infancy. Louisa married Lee Dunning, and died in Madison Township, leaving two children, William D. and Emma R., the former now engaged in the real-estate business in Columbus, Ohio, and the latter the wife of John Hughes, who is now deceased. The other sister, Anna, is the wife of Alfred Bourne, of whom see sketch on another page. Our subject accompanied his parents to this country, spending seven weeks and two days in a sailing-vessel upon the ocean, and coming to Newark on a packet boat on the canal. He grew to manhood upon the farm where he now lives, and in youth was a student in the neighboring schools.

The first marriage of Mr. Kislingbery united him with Miss Mary Jane Montgomery, and they became the parents of a son, Adam C. The latter married Miss Cora Channel, and is engaged in farming near Johnstown. A brother of Mrs. Kislingbery, William Montgomery by name, was in the service of the Union during the late war, and was color bearer in the Seventy-sixth Ohio Infantry; he lost his right arm while holding aloft the Stars and Stripes. Mrs. M. J. Kislingbery died in 1865, and our subject afterward married Miss Sarah F., daughter of Henry Evans, of Perryton, this county. There have been born to this union eight children, of whom Emma R. died in January, 1893, aged ten years. The others are students in the home schools: Mary J., Carrie Belle, William Henry, Lillie May, Ira Franklin, Daisy F. and Thomas F.

In political views Mr. Kislingbery is independent, usually however, voting the Democratic ticket. Socially, he is a member of Acacia Lodge No. 464, A. F. & A. M., and has held various official positions in his lodge. The religious home of the family is in the Methodist Episcopal Church. The home farm contains first-class improvements, and its value is enhanced by a fine orchard, from which each year are gathered large quantities of apples, cherries, pears and small fruits. These are

sold and add considerably to the receipts of the farm. A steam cider press is also operated in season. The land is under a high state of cultivation and the buildings are substantial and adapted to their various uses.

CHRISTIAN W. WEIPPERT. There are few of the residents of Licking County who are unfamiliar with the name introducing this sketch. It is that of a man self-made in the broadest sense of that word, one who in youth resolved to make life a success, if that result could be secured by industry and wise management. Without the prestige of family or the influence of wealth to aid him, he has worked his way to a foremost position among the business men of Newark, where he has resided since 1869. He has engaged in business for himself since 1876, and is now the proprietor of a flourishing brick manufactory.

Our subject was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, October 2, 1848, and is a son of Christian Weippert, who still resides in that land. A brother, Ludwig, and sister, Mrs. Magdalena Iber, still live in Germany, while another brother, Gottlieb, is associated with our subject as an employe in the manufactory. In Wurtemberg, Christian W. was employed in a stone quarry and also on a farm, but believing that America offered better prospects for an ambitious young man, he came to this country at the age of about twenty-one. Landing in New York City, he was for a time undecided whither to go, but having the addresses of some citizens of Newark, he came hither, reaching the city January 26, 1869.

Securing employment in a brick yard, Mr. Weippert soon learned the business, in which in 1876 he embarked for himself. Success has rewarded his efforts and he now manufactures about one million brick annually. His prosperity is worthy of special commendation, on account of the fact that it was gained with little assistance from others. On reaching Newark he had $200 which he had earned in his native land. At the time of his marriage his mother sent him $200, and at her death she bequeathed him $400, but with this exception all that he has he acquired through his unaided exertions.

In Newark occurred the marriage of Mr. Weippert and Miss Dora, daughter of Frederick Seibold and a native of Germany, whence she came to the United States with her mother. Mr. and Mrs. Weippert are identified with the Lutheran Church. They own and occupy a comfortable residence at No. 239 Cedar Street, the beauty of which is enhanced by the well kept grounds, covering fourteen acres. In his political views, Mr. Weippert is independent, casting his ballot for men and measures best calculated to promote the welfare of his city or the nation, without regard to political affiliations.

CLEMENT L. McCRACKEN, Postmaster at Croton, is an honored representative of a worthy pioneer family of Licking County. He traces his ancestry to County Donegal, Ireland, where his great-grandfather, Robert McCracken, was born and whence he emigrated to America in 1790, settling near Middleton, Washington County, Pa. John, the eldest of the family, was born January 28, 1795, and removed with his parents from the Keystone State to Harrison County, Ohio, in 1805. Settling in the midst of a dense forest, he experienced for the sixteen years ensuing all the hardships of frontier existence.

On the 27th of August, 1821, John McCracken married Miss Margaret Simcox, a lady who lived near Cannonsburgh, Washington County, Pa. A few months after his marriage he removed to what is now Hopewell Township, Licking County, and settled on lands entered by his father in 1814, again inviting the toil and privations necessary to prepare his home for the comfortable occupancy of the family, and the soil for productiveness. By

indefatigable labor and strict integrity he became prosperous. In common with his neighbors, he worked on the farm during fair weather, selecting the stormy days for visiting the mill and market at Zanesville, sixteen miles distant.

Early in years Mr. and Mrs. John McCracken united with the Church of Christ, and afterward lived exemplary Christian lives. They ever insisted that the Sabbath should be wholly dedicated to the Lord, and that the family should either attend worship on that day or spend the time at home reading profitable books. He was a man of broad information, having a library of over two hundred well selected volumes, which he so diligently studied that they almost seemed a part of his life. On the 12th of September, 1866, his companion passed to her reward. After her death he remained at the old home with his youngest living son until the 2d of September, 1876, when death claimed him for his own. He died strong in the faith that had blessed his life, that he should live again. He had twelve children, ten sons and two daughters, all of whom attained years of maturity except the youngest, who died at the age of six years. The others he lived to see comfortably settled in homes of their own, energetically working their way to positions of prominence and possessing a reasonable amount of this world's goods.

The children of John and Margaret McCracken were born in the order herein mentioned: Martha married P. R. Wiley, to whom she bore three children. James married a Miss Loughman, and two sons and three daughters comprise their family. Mary cast her lot in life with Alexander Brown, and of their three children two survive. John won the hand and heart of a Miss Cooms, and early in married life removed to Iowa; seven children blessed the union. William wedded a daughter of Peter Bordner, and soon afterward moved to central Illinois; four children were born of this union. Robert and his wife also went west, settling with their three children in Missouri. Eli and Samuel married daughters of John Loughman, of Hopewell Township, Eli having nine children, and Samuel three living. Eleazer won and wedded Miss Nancy Gutridge, of Brownsville, Ohio, and two of their three children are living. Wilson S. married Miss Sarah A., daughter of Mahlon Wiley, and they became the parents of four sons and three daughters. Henry M., the youngest living son, chose for his companion in life Miss Elizabeth, daughter of the Rev. William Henslee, of his native township; three children blessed this union, the youngest of whom died in childhood. All the above named children are successful farmers, and all bear a strong family resemblance.

The parents of our subject, W. S. and Sarah A. (Wiley) McCracken, were natives respectively of Hopewell and Hanover Townships, Licking County, the latter being of German descent, though somewhat remote. Our subject was born in Hopewell Township, October 2, 1863, and is the second-born among seven children. The eldest, Charles E., is a teacher and farmer of Hopewell Township; Annie is a teacher by profession; Blanche is at home; Alice married Hal Ditter, a farmer of Hopewell Township; and Henry M. and Mahlon Scott are under the parental roof.

After completing his education in the district schools of Hopewell Township and the graded schools of Hartford, our subject engaged in teaching, being thus engaged for four years in Hopewell Township, later in Hanover Township, and for one year in the Hartford schools. In 1888 he entered the Northwestern Normal School, at Ada, where he took a normal and commercial course. He was graduated from the commercial department, but withdrew from college when entering the senior class in the scientific course. After his marriage, October 24, 1889, he at once removed to Hartford, where he engaged in farming and in the buying and selling of stock. In 1891 he was elected Secretary of the Hartford Central Agricultural Society, and has been twice re-elected, holding that position at present.

July 19, 1893, Mr. McCracken was commissioned Postmaster at Hartford (postoffice name Croton), and took formal possession of the office on the 5th of August. As may be imagined, he is a Democrat in his political views, which is also the political faith of his relatives. He has served as Assessor of Hartford Township, and for three years has been a member of the Board of Education in Hartford. The lady whom he married is a daughter of

Rufus and Mary Adams, and is a native of Bennington Township, Licking County. Her father died during the Civil War, while in the service of the Union cause, and her mother is still living and makes her home with Mrs. McCracken. One child blesses this union, a daughter, Faith, now (1894) four years of age. Mr. and Mrs. McCracken are identified with the Methodist Episcopal Church and are active workers in the Sunday-school.

The life work of Mr. McCracken is yet in its infancy, and bright prospects await him in the future. His actions have always been guided by the highest principles of right and honor, and the power of honesty and unswerving integrity is shown by the implicit confidence in which he is held by all, and by the various positions of trust that his fellow-citizens have called upon him to hold. In his present position as Postmaster he is rendering excellent service to the people, displaying in the discharge of his duties a just appreciation of the best business methods, which makes him a successful and popular civic officer.

GEORGE D. GRASSER, who is Secretary of the Citizens' Building & Loan Association, and a representative business man of Newark, was born in this city February 2, 1860, being a son of George M. and Sarah J. (Little) Grasser. He traces his lineage to Germany, whence his grandfather, Jacob Grasser, accompanied by his family, came to the United States in 1837 and settled in Newark, Ohio, the journey from Cleveland to this place being made by canal. Here until advanced in years, Grandfather Grasser engaged in the bazaar and restaurant business, and here his death occurred.

The father of our subject was born in Germany, December 31, 1831, and was a mere child when brought to America. Of his surviving brothers and sisters we note the following: Catherine married Robert Wiegand, of Newark; John, Ernest and William are residents of Newark; and Josie, now Mrs. Perkins, lives in Columbus, this state. After completing his literary studies, George M. read law and was admitted to the Bar of the state. When a young man he went to Canton, and while there employed made the acquaintance of and married Sarah J. Little, who was born in that city. Her father, William Little, was a cabinet-maker by trade, and died at the age of thirty-three years.

In political affairs, George M. Grasser won a well deserved prominence. He served as City Clerk, also filled the position as Mayor of Newark for one term, and was Probate Judge for six years. Soon after the expiration of his term of office in the latter capacity, he started for Hot Springs, Ark., and while in St. Louis was run over by a street car, receiving injuries which resulted in his death within twenty-four hours, April 26, 1882. The remains were brought back to Newark and were buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery. In his death, Newark lost one of its most prominent citizens, one whom it had delighted to honor in the past, and upon whom, had his life been spared, still greater honors would have been conferred. Socially he was a member of the blue lodge, chapter and commandery at Newark, and was a Knight Templar Mason; he was buried with Masonic honors. His widow still survives him, as do two of their three children. Florence O. is the wife of Edward S. Franklin, of Newark; and Charles C. was a law student at the time of his death, which occurred February 2, 1894, at the age of thirty-one years.

After graduating from the high school of Newark in 1879, the subject of this notice attended Kenyon College for two years. He then engaged as clerk in a drug store, in which he became a silent partner. In 1883 he embarked in the business for himself, in which he has since continued. He is one of the charter members of the Citizens' Building & Loan Association, organized February 5, 1889, and has been its only Secretary. Politically a Democrat, he has represented the Fourth Ward in the City Council for two terms, being President of the Council during his last term.

October 6, 1884, Mr. Grasser married Miss Ella

R., daughter of William H. Blaine, and a native of Jamestown, Ohio. They occupy a pleasant and cozily furnished residence at No. 132 North Fourth Street, where his mother also resides. Socially he is a member of Newark Lodge No. 97, A. F. & A. M.; Warren Chapter No. 6, R. A. M.; Bigelow Council No. 7, R. & S. M.; St. Luke's Commandery No. 34, K. T., and is also identified with the Knights of Pythias.

SIMON SHAFER, Mayor of Hartford, and one of the leading business men of the place, was born in Knox County, Ohio, February 6, 1830. He is the son of Philip and Rebecca (Platt) Shafer, both of whom died in Knox County, the father when seventy-seven, and the mother when forty-five years of age. The family consists of seven children, Simon being the eldest born; Mary is the widow of Clinton Dean, and Amelia the widow of Cyrus W. Wise; Joseph first married Emma Weaver, and for his second wife chose Hannah Smith; Thomas married Mary Neat, and is engaged in the lumber and real-estate business at Girard, Kan.; Columbus, who married Alice Fleckner, lives on a farm near Girard, Kan.; Calvin, who married Miss Jennings, has recently bought a farm and removed from Knox County to Urbana, Ohio.

After completing the studies of the common schools of Knox County, our subject supplemented the information there obtained by a course of study in the Utica Normal School, thus gaining a good education. When about twenty-three years old he bought a sawmill at Rich Hill, in Knox County, which he operated about seven years. He bought a house in the same village, and in 1859 married Miss Emma Patterson, who died in 1871. Four children were born to them, of whom three are living, namely: Blynn D., who has the joint agency for the Cleveland, Akron & Columbus, and the Baltimore & Ohio Railroads at Barberton, Ohio; Emmett E., who is engaged in the lumber business at Alamosa, Colo.; Edward E., who is employed as car accountant in the dispatcher's office of the Chicago, Akron & Columbus Railroad at Columbus. Bertrand E. died in 1886, at the age of fourteen years. The boys were educated in the Hartford graded schools, from which the two eldest were graduated, the third son being a graduate of the school at Girard, Kan. The eldest son also completed a business course at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Blynn D. married Miss Annie Patrick, and they have three children. Emmett E. is also married, his wife having been Miss Emma Todd, and they are the parents of one child.

In 1871 Mr. Shafer was a second time married, choosing as his wife Mrs. Ellen A. (Cleghern) Borden, a native of Knox County, Ohio. She is a lady of exemplary character, a devoted member of the Christian Church, and a welcomed guest in the best social circles of the community. After selling his property at Rich Hill our subject removed to Findlay, Hancock County, where he conducted a restaurant for three years. From there he went to Columbus, and for four years was proprietor of a grocery and provision store in that city. At the time of his second marriage he was conducting a sawmill in Hartford, to which place he immediately afterward brought his family, and here he has since resided. About 1882 he embarked in the lumber, grain and coal business, which he operated in connection with his sawmill until 1890, when he disposed of the latter enterprise. At present he conducts one of the most important business enterprises in Hartford, and has a large and profitable trade with the people of the surrounding country. He buys grain and seeds of all kinds except flax, and handles all kinds of pine lumber, also coal, lime and cement.

A man of strong, firm character, Mr. Shafer has been influential in pushing forward undertakings of importance, and has been one of the prominent factors in the progress of Hartford. As a local politician he is popular and prominent, and has always worked and voted with the Democratic party. He is now (1894) serving his second term as Mayor of Hartford, and his third term of three years each as Justice of the Peace of Hartford

Township. He has twice visited his brothers at Girard, Kan., and when in the west in 1892 was at Creede, Colo., on the day that Bob Ford, the slayer of Jesse James, was killed.

Beginning in business with no other capital than his mental and physical endowments, Mr. Shafer has accumulated a competence by a determined effort to overcome all obstacles in the pathway of complete success, and by the exercise of a quick, unerring judgment in regard to the best means of investing money. While he feels a keen pleasure in the respect, trust and confidence of his fellow-men, yet he has ever been averse to pushing himself forward in any manner for the purpose of gaining applause or notoriety. He has an extensive acquaintance in this county, of which he has been a resident for so many years, and is well known as a thoroughly honorable business man, whose integrity is beyond question, as is his reputation in all the relations of life.

WILLIAM A. ASHBROOK. One of the leading newspapers of Licking County is the Johnstown *Independent*, of which the subject of this sketch is editor and publisher. In all matters pertaining to the welfare of the people, it exerts a potent influence and has aided in no small measure in promoting the interests of the village. It was established in 1883 by E. N. Gunsaulus, who published a folio. In February, 1884, the plant and paper were purchased by Mr. Ashbrook, who now publishes a five-column quarto. The paper is especially popular among the Democrats of the county, as it supports the principles of that party, but it also has many readers among people of opposite political belief.

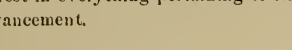
Before presenting the events that have given character to the life of our subject, it may not be amiss to briefly mention his parentage. His father, William Ashbrook, was born February 19, 1824, upon the place where he now resides, being a son of Rev. Eli Ashbrook. He was reared upon the home farm, his schooling being limited to the common branches. Purchasing from his father the old homestead of one hundred and fifty acres, he engaged as a dealer in live stock for about fifteen years, retiring from business in 1862, since which time he has not been actively connected with any business other than farming.

In 1852 William Ashbrook married Lucy H., daughter of Eli Pratt and a native of Licking County, born near Johnstown. They have had six children, viz.: Milan, who resides in Granville, Ohio; Abbie E., wife of Charles Garner, of Lansing, Mich.; Byron B., a physician of Pataskala, Ohio; Aura H., wife of James L. Moore of Pataskala; Burton G., deceased; and William A., of this sketch. Politically, the father was a Whig, but since 1856 has affiliated with the Republicans. He has served as Justice of the Peace and held other local offices. In 1868 he united with the Baptist Church, of which he has since been an active member and in which he is serving as Deacon, Clerk and Treasurer.

The subject of this sketch was born in Johnstown July 1, 1866, and received his primary education in the schools of this place, afterward attending the business college at Lansing, Mich. At the age of eighteen his journalistic career commenced. In July, 1893, he was appointed Postmaster at Johnstown, in which capacity he has since served with efficiency and success. In April, 1889, he aided in the organization of the Johnstown Building & Loan Association, of which he is the present Secretary. He is an active factor in local politics as a member of the Democratic party, and for two years has been Secretary of the Democratic County Central Committee, and he was recently elected Chairman of this commitee.

December 24, 1889, Mr. Ashbrook married Miss Jennie B., daughter of Oliver Willison. Mrs. Ashbrook was born in Hartford Township, Licking County, and was graduated from the schools at Ada, Ohio, after which she taught at Johnstown and other places. Socially, our subject is identified

with Centre Lodge No. 326, A. F. & A. M. His name was the first enrolled on the charter of White Cross Lodge No. 308, K. P., of which he is now Past Chancellor and which he has represented in the Grand Lodge. He is a progressive and enterprising young man, and this community finds in him a valued citizen, who manifests a commendable interest in everything pertaining to its welfare and advancement.



HON. WILLIAM BEAUMONT. As an influential member of the Democratic party in Ohio the name of William Beaumont is well and favorably known throughout the state. A man of progressive spirit, his fellow-citizens in Licking County are justly proud of his attainments and success. Those of opposite political views, while combating his opinions, recognize his superior talents and hold him in the highest regard as a statesman. It is obvious, therefore, that this volume, having for its aim the perpetuation of the careers of distinguished men, would fail of its purpose were no mention made of this honored man.

Referring to the family history, we find that our subject's grandfather, Isaiah Beaumont, Sr., was born in Connecticut, May 23, 1757, and served under General Washington in the Revolutionary War. He witnessed the memorable engagement resulting in the capture of the Hessians at Trenton, N. J., and was wounded during that battle. About 1812 he brought his family to Licking County, and settled in St. Alban's Township, where his death occurred July 26, 1837.

The father of our subject, Isaiah Beaumont, Jr., was born in Hartford, Conn., September 21, 1795, and accompanied the family to Licking County in 1812. In St. Alban's Township, October 29, 1823, he married Miss Hettie Carpenter, a native of Luzerne County, Pa., born Christmas Day of 1802. After their marriage they settled in St. Alban's Township, where they spent their remaining years, the father dying February 22, 1864, and the mother February 26, 1881. Their children were ten in number, viz.: Louisa and Andrew J., deceased; Louisa, wife of Solon Hazelton; Isaiah P.; William, of this sketch; Maria A.; John; Samuel, deceased; Lucien B.; and Hester A., wife of Watson Davidson.

In St. Alban's Township, where he was born June 6, 1831, William Beaumont was reared to manhood, receiving a practical education in the public schools. His entire life has been spent in Licking County with the exception of six years, when he lived in Indiana and Illinois. For several years he was a traveling salesman, and upon retiring from the road he engaged in the manufacture of agricultural implements for six years. Entering the mercantile business at Alexandria, he was thus engaged for fourteen years. For nine years he officiated as Superintendent of the Licking County Infirmary, in which capacity his services gave excellent satisfaction, and since retiring from the infirmary, in 1889, he has made his home in St. Alban's Township, upon a finely improved farm of one hundred and thirty-eight acres.

On the 16th of October, 1856, in St. Alban's Township, Mr. Beaumont was united in marriage with Miss Laura S. Webb, a native of this township, born August 27, 1839, and a daughter of the late Stiles Webb. Two children blessed the union of Mr. and Mrs. Beaumont, a son and daughter. The greatest sorrow of their wedded life fell upon them when they were called upon to mourn the death of the daughter, Hettie A., who passed away September 29, 1882, at the age of twenty-two years. The only son, William D., married Bessie E. Woolverton, of Newark, and resides on the homestead.

The political allegiance of Mr. Beaumont has always been given to the Democratic party, and he has long been regarded as one of its most prominent members in Licking County. He has served as Treasurer and Clerk of St. Alban's Township, and occupied other local offices. In the fall of 1891 he was elected to the Legislature, and so efficiently did he represent his constituents, that in the fall of 1893 he was again chosen for that posi-

tion. During his first term he served as a members of the Labor Committee, and during the present session (1894–95) is rendering able service on the Committees on Agriculture, Claims, Federal Relations, Fish Culture and Game.

Mr. Beaumont was deeply bereaved when his devoted wife, who had for thirty-seven years shared his anxieties, lightened his sorrows and doubled his joys, passed from earth April 26, 1893. Not only was she devoted to her family, but she was also a kind friend and thoughtful neighbor, ever watchful of the welfare of others. With the other members of the family, she held a high place in the regard of a large circle of acquaintances, and her death was widely mourned.

In his social relations, Mr. Beaumont affiliates with St. Alban's Lodge No. 491, A. F. & A. M., Warren Chapter No. 6, of Newark, and Bigelow Council No. 7. He is a man who takes the deepest interest in the development of the resources of the county, and who contributes to its material progress in every way possible. Every measure having for its object the promotion of the welfare of the people is sure of his hearty support and cooperation, and he gives his influence to all progressive projects.

WILLIAM D. EVANS. A finely improved and valuable farm consisting of fifty-five acres in Newton Township is owned and operated by the gentleman above named, who has spent his entire life upon the old homestead, the place of his birth. Here he has erected an excellent set of buildings and has also made other valuable improvements upon the estate. The farm though small is valuable, and in productiveness and fertility the land is not excelled by any property in the neighborhood. It is under a high state of cultivation and is amply provided with modern machinery for various purposes, while everything about the place indicates thrift and careful management on the part of the owner.

The father of our subject, Joseph Evans, was born in Huntingdon County, Pa., in 1792, and accompanied his parents to Newark, Ohio, in 1805, growing to manhood in Licking County. In 1825 he was united in marriage with Miss Rosannah Donnelly, a native of Pennsylvania. The worthy couple lived upon a farm in Newton Township, and through economy and industry acquired a modest competence. Their union was a very happy one, and in death they were not divided. Both passed away in 1871, the mother in May, and the father upon the 4th of the November following.

In the parental family there were nine children, of whom William D. is the next to the youngest. Born in Newton Township April 3, 1839, his childhood days were passed in the community of which he is still a resident. The schools a half-century ago were very inferior to those of to-day, and his educational advantages were limited, but being a man of close observation, by association with cultured men and by systematic reading he has become well informed. When choosing a life occupation it was natural that he should select the one to which he had been reared and of which he had such a thorough knowledge. As an agriculturist he is progressive, capable and energetic, and through good management has won prosperity.

At St. Louisville, Ohio, February 11, 1866, William D. Evans was united in marriage with Miss Amanda Bell, whose birth occurred in Washington Township, Licking County, Ohio, July 27, 1847. In order of birth she is the ninth among eleven children comprising the family of Hon. John and Mary (Harrison) Bell. Her parents were married in Knox County, this state, and later came to Newton Township, Licking County, where Mr. Bell passed away October 16, 1865. Three children have blessed the union of Mr. and Mrs. Evans, namely: Ed A., Cora E. and Charles B. The family is one of prominence socially and its various members are held in high esteem by all who know them.

While Mr. Evans has devoted his energies mainly to his farm work, he has not neglected the du-

ties of every loyal citizen. He aims to keep posted upon the issues of the age and both in local and national questions he is well informed. Politically he advocates the platform of the Democratic party. Upon that ticket he has been elected to the various township and school offices.

DAVID C. WINEGARNER, Secretary and Treasurer of the Franklin Banking Company, has been a resident of Newark since 1859 and has been connected with this bank since 1876. His native ability no less than education has fitted him for the efficient discharge of the duties connected with his responsible position.

Before presenting in detail the principal events in the life history of our subject, it might be well to record his ancestral history. The first representative of the family in America was Henry Winegarner, who emigrated from Germany in an early day. One of his sons was Herbert, our subject's grandfather. The latter married Margaret Jordon, who was born in Loudoun County, Va., February 4, 1775, came to Ohio about 1816, and settled in Hopewell Township, Licking County, where she resided for upwards of a half-century. She died in Franklin County, Ohio, November 2, 1872, aged ninety-seven years, having been a widow the last forty years of her life.

The father of our subject, Hon. Samuel Winegarner, was born in Loudoun County, Va., November 12, 1799, and accompanied his parents to Licking County, Ohio, in 1816. Here he passed the remainder of his life, with the exception of three years each in the counties of Muskingum and Fairfield. Until about twenty-five years old he engaged in farming. Afterward he conducted a mercantile business in Gratiot, Ohio, for fifteen years or more, and also served as Justice of the Peace for several years. In 1846 he was elected to represent Licking County in the Ohio Senate, where he rendered efficient service in behalf of his constituents. For nearly forty years he was a member of the Baptist denomination. In the fall of 1862 he removed to Newark and here he died August 7, 1863, aged sixty-four years.

Samuel Winegarner was three times married. May 9, 1822, he married Miss Susanna Rakestraw, who was born in Fauquier County, Va., December 1, 1803, and died November 27, 1851, after having become the mother of three sons and four daughters. Among the former was David C., of this sketch. He was born November 6, 1833, in Muskingum County, Ohio, and was only two years old when brought by the family to Licking County, growing to manhood in Gratiot. After completing the studies in the common schools he entered the college at Granville and there remained until twenty years old.

The business career of Mr. Winegarner commenced with a clerkship in a country store, where he remained for two years. Then going to Keokuk, Iowa, he engaged in the grocery trade for two years. Next we find him in St. Louis, Mo., where he held a position as bookkeeper for one year. Returning to Ohio in 1859, he settled in Newark and for some months was employed in the County Auditor's office. In the spring of 1860 he formed a partnership with Samuel Bancroft and W. H. Winegarner, and the firm of Winegarner & Bancroft carried on business for five years, when Mr. Bancroft withdrew and the firm became Winegarner & Co. In 1867 our subject became sole proprietor, continuing in that way until 1876, when he associated himself with Willis Robbins, L. B. Wing and W. A. Robbins, and engaged in the banking business. All the gentlemen gave their undivided attention to the bank, which was a private concern, and conducted a safe and successful business. In January, 1894, the institution was incorporated with a capital of $100,000, and now ranks among the substantial financial concerns of the county.

In March, 1861, Mr. Winegarner married Miss Mary E., daughter of George Haver, a farmer of

Fairfield County, Ohio. They have one daughter, Katharine. Mrs. Winegarner and Miss Katharine are members of the First Presbyterian Church, and our subject is an attendant at the services, though not identified with the church. Politically a Democrat, he served for two terms as Mayor of Newark, and was a member of the Board of Education for fourteen years.

As a Mason Mr. Winegarner is influential and prominent. He was initiated into the order at Newark, joining Newark Lodge No. 97, A. F. & A. M., which he has served as Master for several terms. He has been High Priest of Warren Chapter No. 6, R. A. M.; thrice Illustrious Master of Bigelow Council No. 7, R. & S. M.; Eminent Commander of Newark Commandery No. 34, K. T., and has attained the thirty-third degree. In the organization of St. Luke's Commandery No. 34 he was a prime factor and was chosen its first Commander. For many years he has been a regular attendant at the Grand Lodge and attends almost all the meetings of the grand bodies of masonry. For two terms he has served as Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Ohio. He is also connected with the Knights of Pythias.

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THOMAS MABERY. Licking County has within its borders many citizens who have been successful financially and are now living in retirement in the enjoyment of an ample income. One of this class is Mr. Mabery, now residing at No. 198 Locust Street, Newark, and formerly one of the prominent farmers and stock-raisers of McKean Township. By persistent, well directed labor, seconded by sound discretion and clear judgment, he accumulated a goodly amount of property, and is now spending his declining years free from the cares and toils of early life.

A native of Philadelphia, Pa., our subject was born October 20, 1814, and is a son of John and Catherine Mabery, the former a native of Vermont, and the latter born in Bucks County, Pa., of German descent. His childhood years were spent in the Quaker City, whence at the age of fourteen he removed to Bucks County and there learned the trade of a wagon-maker. The year 1835 witnessed his arrival in Ohio, and settling at Wellsville, he engaged in the manufacture of wagons and buggies. In 1853 he removed to Newcomerstown, Tuscarawas County, where for several years he conducted a mercantile establishment. Later he purchased farming property near that place and was occupied as a tiller of the soil there until 1867, when he disposed of his land.

Coming to Licking County the same year, Mr. Mabery bought two hundred and seventy-six acres in McKean Township, comprising what was known as the Elijah Hunt farm. For some years he continued as an agriculturist, but in 1872 sold the farm and came to Newark, where he has since made his home, practically retired from business. An important event in his life was his marriage, which occurred at Wellsville March 23, 1837, his wife being Miss Ann B. Cox. This lady was born in Chambersburg, Pa., May 27, 1819, and in childhood accompanied her parents to Ohio. She was an exemplary Christian woman, and her death, December 12, 1886, at Newark, was mourned by all who knew her.

Seven children blessed this union, namely: William H., who is a hardware merchant of Omaha, Neb.; Catherine, who married A. J. Baggs, of Bridgeport, Ohio; Washington Maynard, who is in partnership with his brother William; Sarah Ann, wife of Johnson Brown, the present Postmaster at Bridgeport, Ohio; John L., of Columbus; Thomas E., a farmer of Granville Township, Licking County; and Frank, a boot and shoe manufacturer of Tiffin, Ohio. The second marriage of Mr. Mabery occurred December 24, 1887, and united him with Miss Rachel Garber, a native of Washington County, Pa., and a daughter of Cornelius and Ann (McCarty) Garber, both of whom were born in Pennsylvania. Mrs. Mabery is a lady of

amiable, kindly disposition and her character is such as to win the respect of all who know her.

In early life Mr. Mabery was a Whig and has been a Republican since the formation of that party. He has never been an office seeker, but served as Marshal of Wellsville for four years. Formerly he held membership in the Protestant Methodist Church, but at present he and his wife are identified with the First Methodist Episcopal Church at Newark. For almost sixty years he has been a church member and has filled the principal offices in the Protestant Methodist Church. The cause of temperance has always had in him a warm friend, and when the Order of Sons of Temperance was organized he identified himself with it. Throughout his entire life he has been a total abstainer from intoxicating drinks, and as a result of his temperate habits he is still hale and hearty and in the full possession of his mental faculties, notwithstanding his advanced age.

To such men as Mr. Mabery, Licking County owes its present high rank among the counties of Ohio. His excellent citizenship, his interest in all which will tend to promote the material prosperity, and, above all, the moral and intellectual welfare of the society, make him a valued member of the community in which he wields a decided influence for good. Wherever he is known, his noble attributes of character are recognized and valued, and also the spirit of philanthropy, which governs all his actions and wins for him friends not only among the poor and unfortunate, but also among the rich.

MARTIN V. WEAVER. Throughout his entire life Mr. Weaver has been a resident of this county, and of its citizens few are more widely and none more favorably known than he. During an honorable career as a sagacious, enterprising agriculturist, he has displayed in a large degree those solid traits of character that are needful to the attainment of prosperity in any calling, and in his dealings with all, whether in a business or a social way, he has proved himself to be a man of honor.

The father of our subject, George Weaver, is the son of Michael Weaver and was a lad of thirteen years when he accompanied his parents from Loudoun County, Va., to Licking County, Ohio. Here he grew to manhood and in his youth learned the trade of a carpenter, which he followed for many years in the village of Chatham. Later he settled upon a farm in Washington Township, where he now lives retired from active cares, surrounded in his declining days by the comforts accumulated in former years of toil. In Washington County, this state, he married Miss Ruth Waters, who still survives.

In the family of eleven children Martin V. is the eldest, and he was born in Chatham, Newton Township, Licking County, March 1, 1840. His childhood years were passed here and he secured a good education in the village schools, to which he has since added by self-culture and extensive reading, so that now he is a man of broad information. Licking County has been the only home he has ever known and farming has been his only occupation.

In Newark, Ohio, February 4, 1864, occurred the marriage of Martin V. Weaver to Miss Emily, daughter of the late Samuel McConnell. Mrs. Weaver was born in Newton Township, received a good education in the home schools, and is an amiable lady, whose home is the abode of hospitality. She has but one child, Fidelia, now the wife of J. H. Porter and an accomplished young lady. In the German Lutheran Church Mr. and Mrs. Weaver are active workers, contributing generously to benevolent and religious projects, and proving by their kind, upright lives the sincerity of their religious belief.

The farm owned and occupied by Mr. Weaver consists of one hundred and fifty-four acres, divided by good fencing into fields and pastures of convenient size, and embellished with a set of farm buildings adapted to their varied uses. Through the proper rotation of crops, as well as a thorough knowledge of the best methods of fertilization, he secures the best possible results from

every acre of land. In his political views he supports the principles of the Democratic party and never fails to cast his ballot for its candidates. For two terms he has held the office of Township Treasurer, and has also filled other local offices of responsibility and honor, in all of which he has reflected credit upon himself and gained the commendation of his fellow-citizens.

CHARLES AUGUSTUS MOSER, truant officer of the public schools of Newark, was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, April 15, 1844, and is the son of John G. and Barbara Moser. He was a child of four years when the family emigrated to the United States in 1848, and after a short time spent in New York came to Newark, where he has since resided. At the age of ten years he was orphaned by his father's death and he was therefore early obliged to become self-supporting. When fourteen he commenced to learn the trade of a cooper, at which he was engaged for three years.

Abandoning the cooper's trade, Mr. Moser secured employment in a blacksmith shop, where he served a seven years' apprenticeship. At the expiration of that time he became a fireman on a locomotive on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, and six months later was promoted to the position of engineer, which he filled for nine years. He was then employed as sexton of the Cedar Hill Cemetery for three years and later worked in a foundry for eight years, his special labor being the mounting of stoves. For some months following he was employed in the blacksmith department of a machine shop. He also worked for a short time in a distillery. In 1890 he was chosen by the Board of Education to fill the position of truant officer of the public schools, and in this capacity he is still engaged, his services being appreciated by the Directors as well as the general public.

September 5, 1865, Mr. Moser was united in marriage with Miss Mary J. Ross, daughter of James Ross, a well known agriculturist of Licking County, where she was born. They have had seven children, as follows: Henry A., deceased; Lillie, who married Clarence Huston, of Mt. Carmel, Ill., and they have one child, Bessie; Lulu, who is the wife of Henry Jakes, of Newark, and the mother of one son, Frank; Charles, deceased; Della; Frank, deceased; and Jessie. The family residence is pleasantly situated at No. 39 North Morris Street, Newark, and is the abode of hospitality.

In every measure calculated to enhance the progress of the the city Mr. Moser is ever interested, and having given careful study to the great issues of the present age he gives his support to the principles of the Democratic party. He has not, however, been an aspirant for official positions, preferring to devote his time and attention to personal affairs. As a citizen he is progressive and public-spirited and justly stands high in the regard of his associates. His religious belief is in harmony with the doctrines of the Lutheran Church, of which he is a member.

ROYAL KASSON. There is doubtless no citizen in Johnstown whose name is so intimately associated with the history of the village as the subject of this sketch, and a record of the county would be incomplete were no mention made of his life career. As a child, youth and man, he has lived in the immediate locality of his present abode, and has been an interested witness of the rapid development of the material resources of the county. At the present time he is engaged as a dealer in real estate, in which line he conducts an extensive business, owning a large proportion of the property in the place.

Born in Johnstown, October 4, 1823, our subject is the son of Daniel and Elizabeth (Barlow) Kasson, natives of Pennsylvania and Ohio respectively.

Grandfather Samuel Kasson, also a native of the Keystone State, emigrated to Ohio about 1811, making the journey in an ox cart accompanied by his wife and four children, the other children remaining in Pennsylvania. He settled in Monroe Township, Licking County, within three miles of Johnstown, where he settled on one hundred acres of unimproved land. Building a log cabin, he then gave his attention to clearing the land, which was covered with heavy timber. Assisted by his sons he cleared about one-half of the farm.

When the family came to Ohio Daniel Kasson was sixteen years of age, and after settling in Licking County he aided in clearing and cultivating the farm. After his marriage he and his wife commenced housekeeping on a part of his father's farm, making their home in a log cabin. Later he bought an adjoining tract of land, on which he lived about fifteen years. After the death of his father-in-law he purchased the Barlow homestead, consisting of one hundred acres, on which was a frame house with brick-filled walls. There he spent his remaining years, dying October 7, 1883. His wife passed away from earth some years previous to his demise.

Thirteen children comprised the parental family, of whom ten attained mature years, viz.: Almeda, who married Silas Sherman and resides in Hartford Township; Alvin, a farmer living in Elk County, Kan.; Royal; Laura, wife of Henry Reed, of Monroe Township, Licking County; Lovina, Mrs. Owen Claywell, deceased; Lucinda, who married Noah F. Butt, of Hartford Township, Licking County; Irvin, residing in Hartford, Ohio; Orrin and Oris (twins), the former of whom died in Ohio and the latter in Kansas; and Norman, of Johnstown, who married Columbia Wright. The parents were members of the Christian Church and were worthy people, highly esteemed wherever known. In politics the father was a Democrat. At the time of his death he was the owner of about three hundred acres of improved land, on which he had engaged in mixed farming.

Our subject was reared on the home farm, receiving a limited education in the neighboring schools. In 1847 he married Charlotte, daughter of Basil Butt, and a native of Licking County, born near Johnstown. After marriage he rented his grandfather's farm for one year, then resided upon his father-in-law's place for six months, and later purchased forty acres, for which he paid $500. He had a team, an old set of harness and purchased a wagon, and these he gave for the farm, his father also giving him $200. After one year spent on that place he disposed of it for $500, and bought one hundred and nine acres for $1,600. One year later some of the heirs claimed the estate and a lawsuit resulted, causing great expense to both parties, but enabling him to recover the property. At the expiration of three years he had entirely paid for the property, although he had been given six years in which to lift the indebtedness. He was fortunate in stock-raising, his speculations along that line proving profitable. At one time hogs advanced from $1.50 to $4 per hundred pounds, and taking advantage of the increase in price, he made considerable money.

Removing to Union Township Mr. Kasson purchased seventy-five acres of excellent land, which one year later he sold at an advance. His next purchase was two hundred and fifty acres, including his grandfather's place, where he lived for ten years. From there he came to Johnstown and opened a general store, which he conducted for three years. Then buying a hotel, he was proprietor of it for three years. His next enterprise was in the mercantile business, as a dealer in dry goods, groceries and bakery supplies. Since disposing of that concern he has dealt in real estate, and has erected a number of the most substantial houses in the place. Fire destroyed six of his buildings, but he still owns five business blocks, as well as some valuable farming land, amounting to about eight hundred acres. He has been generous with his children, to whom he has given about two hundred and fifty acres.

Mr. and Mrs. Kasson are the parents of four children, namely: Maroa, who married Fred McInturf; Elizabeth, wife of Willis Taylor; M. B., who married Rosa Philbrick, and resides in Johnstown; and Charles, who is at home; he married Celia Cornell, who is deceased. Politically our subject is a Democrat and has been the incumbent of several responsible local offices. In his religious belief he

is identified with the Methodist Episcopal Church, with which he united many years ago, in which he has held all the principal offices, and to the good works of which he is ever a liberal contributor.

SILAS F. WHITE. An honorable record is a suitable subject for gratification, and a man does well to call to mind those facts in his history to which posterity may look with pride. One who has begun life with no means, and by his industry and perseverance, with no aid except that given by an economical and affectionate wife, has gained a handsome competence, and provided for his children the advantages which every father should aim to give them, may well feel pride in his record. Such a man is Silas F. White, of Harrison Township.

It will, therefore, be of general interest to place on record the life and lineage of our subject. He was born in Union Township, Licking County, January 20, 1842, and is a son of Elijah and Sarah (Fristoe) White, who were born, reared and married in West Virginia, near Wheeling. Soon after marriage they came to Ohio, and settled in Walnut Township, Fairfield County, whence they removed to Union Township, Licking County, some time during the '30s. They had a family of eleven children, eight of whom are living. Lucy Ann married, removed to Illinois and there died; William W. is a resident of Fairfield County; Thomas J. lives in Hebron, Ohio; Mrs. Emily Schofield, a widow, lives near Kirkersville, Ohio; Silas F. is the next in respect to age; James P. is a farmer of Etna Township, Licking County; Mrs. Ella A. Taggart is a resident of Liberty Township, Fairfield County; Nathan W. lives near Boswell, Fairfield County; and Perry W. makes his home in Fairfield County. A brother and sister died in infancy.

After completing the studies of the common schools, our subject became a student in Denison University. He was eighteen years old when he began teaching, and he was thus engaged in Licking and Fairfield Counties for about nine years, after which he was similarly occupied in Missouri for two years. On his return to the Buckeye State he married Miss Sarah J. Tussing, a native of Fairfield County, though at the time of her marriage she was living in Franklin County. She was a member of a family of nine children, seven of whom survive.

For a year after his marriage, Mr. White farmed his father-in-law's estate, and then bought a tract of land in Harrison Township, to which he at once moved his family. There was born his first child, Perry, who died at the age of nineteen years and three months, typhoid fever being the direct cause of his death. He was an unusually bright and intelligent young man, a graduate from the Pataskala High School, and a student in Lebanon, Ohio, when he was taken fatally ill. Four other children were also born on that place, Lora Lee, Ocean M., Chadda M. and Kate. Ocean M. is now the wife of William McCormick, an agriculturist living near Pataskala.

About 1882 Mr. White bought the farm where he has since resided, and which is diagonally opposite from his former home. Here were born Vina Belle, Edna J., Julia E. and Nelson T., all of whom are living. His property consists of two hundred and forty-eight acres of excellent farming land located in the valley of Licking Creek, and here he engages in mixed farming. He is prominent in political circles, and affiliates with the Democrats, though opposed to his party on the tariff question, and favoring the free coinage of silver. He and his wife belong to the Primitive Baptist Church, of which their parents were also members, and in which Mr. Tussing has been a minister for forty years.

The White family is of English origin, though long established in America. The genealogy of the Fristoe family is lost. The Tussings are of German descent. The brothers of our subject are prosperous farmers, all being well-to-do and intelligent. Mrs. White's brother, L. Benton Tussing, is a talented attorney in Columbus. Associated with him, under the firm name of Donaldson &

Tussing, is his brother-in-law, Albert Donaldson, the husband of his sister, Laura E. Another sister, Mary, became the wife of Dr. Taylor, a successful physician of Reynoldsburg, Ohio. Two brothers, L. W. and C. W. Tussing, are very successful farmers of Franklin County, also large land owners and breeders and shippers of thoroughbred Hereford and Galloway cattle. They married daughters of Joseph Rhoades, of Hebron, Union Township. Lizzie, who is unmarried, is wealthy in her own right, and resides with her parents in Columbus.

Not only through reading, but also through observation and travel, our subject has become well informed upon all subjects of local and general interest. With his wife and two of their children he visited the World's Fair in 1893 and took in the sights of the great metropolis of the west. His son-in-law, Mr. McCormick, is an extensive breeder and shipper of Ayreshire cattle. He exhibited a portion of his herd at the World's Fair, and is now (1894) arranging to attend the Ohio State Fair. In competition with other breeds and with those of like breeding, he usually receives his full share of premiums. He has been awarded as high as $900 in premiums in one year, and at Buffalo, N. Y., took $600 in premiums at one fair.

BANNING N. SIGLER, who is successfully conducting an extensive mercantile establishment at Homer, was born in Newark, Ohio, June 5, 1859. He is the son of Samuel Sigler, a native of Franklin Township, Licking County, born in 1808. The latter was twice married, his first union being with Elizabeth Hull, who was born April 13, 1812, and became his wife June 24, 1830. She died December 5, 1852, after having become the mother of the following-named children: Sarah, Rebecca, Solomon S., Rachel S., Phœbe, James H., Anna, Mattie and Rhoda E.

Of these children we note the following: Solomon is associated with the wholesale mercantile establishment of Miles, Bancroft, Sheldon & Co., of Columbus, Ohio, and is regarded as the best informed man in the notion department in Ohio; James H., who has been a traveling salesman for twenty-five years, is with Clarke's Mile End Thread Company; Sarah is the wife of Lee Dunning, of Columbus, Ohio; Rebecca married William Rutledge, a well-to-do farmer of Franklin Township, Licking County; Rachel is the wife of John Smith, an agriculturist of Appleton; Phœbe, who is unmarried, resides with her brother in Columbus; Anna is the wife of Rev. Edwin S. Dunham, a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church, now located at Delaware, Ohio; Mattie, the widow of H. Harmer, lives in Columbus; Rhoda E., a Conference Deaconess of the Methodist Episcopal Church, now employed in Knoxville, Tenn., is devoted to the spiritual welfare of mankind, her duties being to look after the interests of the church, inducing children of indifferent parents to come to Sunday-school, visiting the sick and distressed, distributing church charities, assisting in conducting revivals, etc. She is a noble woman engaged in a work of love, without hope of reward this side the grave.

The second marriage of Samuel Sigler occurred February 13, 1855, his wife being Elizabeth Andrews, a native of Homer, born August 6, 1822. She died on the 30th of January, 1875; her husband survived some years, passing away March 29, 1886. Their union resulted in the birth of two sons, of whom our subject is the younger. Wellington, the older son, is clerk in a dry-goods store at Mt. Vernon, Ohio; he married Miss Nettie, daughter of S. L. Blue (of whom see sketch on another page) and they have two children.

When our subject was eight years old he removed with his parents from Newark to Homer, where he was educated in the public schools. His business experience commenced with his acceptance of a position as clerk in the mercantile house of E. W. Scott, where he remained a short time. Then with his brother he bought a stock of goods and operated a general store in the building where Banning N. now conducts business. After five years thus spent the goods were sold to J. J. Yoakam, and our subject remained in the capacity

of clerk for five years, after which he bought a half-interest in the business as it is now conducted. The firm style is Fulton & Sigler, the senior partner being R. S. Fulton, of whom mention is made on another page. They handle a general line of merchandise, including dry goods, groceries, notions, hardware, farm implements, etc.

October 27, 1880, Mr. Sigler was united in marriage with Miss Lucretia, daughter of James and Elizabeth Oldaker, of Miller Township, Knox County, Ohio. She was educated in the public schools of the district and in Utica Normal. The three children born of this union are, Jessie, Ethel and Fred, now students in the Homer schools. Mrs. Sigler is identified with the Christian Church, while Mr. Sigler is a Methodist in religious belief. Socially, he is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and also affiliates with the Knights of Pythias. Politically he is a strong Republican, and votes and talks his sentiments. As a business man he is far-seeing and possesses keen discernment. From his German ancestry he has inherited qualities of thrift and perseverance, which, united with the American characteristic of pluck, cannot fail of success.

JACOB BENNER. As a successful agriculturist and progressive citizen of Hartford Township, this gentleman is widely and favorably known throughout Licking County. He and his good wife reside upon their farm of seventy-seven acres, but having retired from life's active duties he now rents the land, receiving therefrom a good income. Though living in retirement, his life is by no means an idle or useless one, as he still devotes considerable attention to a general supervision of his property, and also engages to some extent in stock-raising, making a specialty of sheep.

In noting the parental history of our subject, we find that he is the son of Daniel and Sarah (Row) Benner. His father, who was born near Hagerstown, Md., December 22, 1783, removed in childhood with his parents to Huntingdon County, Pa. His first wife, Sarah Row, who was a native of Virginia and about two years his junior, died after having become the mother of two children. They are, Susanna, who was born March 29, 1817, and married to James Disney, both deceased, and Jacob, whose birth occurred in Newton Township, Licking County, October 28, 1818, and who was an infant at the time of his mother's decease.

For his second wife, Daniel Benner chose Catherine Roberts, who was born in Virginia April 11, 1798. Six children were born of this marriage, as follows: John, whose birth occurred March 25, 1820; Eliza, December 26, 1821; Margaret, December 4, 1824; Mary, February 18, 1827; Matilda, July 9, 1829, and Catherine, July 10, 1831. The last two named are the only survivors of the family, Matilda being the wife of Elias Myers, and Catherine having married P. J. Neibarger. The father of this family settled in Newton Township, Licking County, in 1807, and thence about 1826 removed to Bennington Township, where he departed this life in February, 1872. His second wife also died at the home farm in Bennington Township.

When the family removed to Bennington Township, our subject was a child of eight years, and there he grew to manhood, his educational advantages being limited to a brief attendance at the district schools. However, being a man of close observation and penetrating insight into intricate matters, he has become well informed upon all important subjects, and his broad knowledge makes him an interesting companion. Attaining manhood and selecting a life occupation, he chose that with which he had become familiar in youth, and in Bennington Township commenced the career of an agriculturist. There he continued to make his home until 1866, when he removed to the farm where he now lives.

In 1841 occurred the marriage of Mr. Benner and Miss Margaret Payne, a native of Licking County. Three children were born of this union, John, Daniel and Sarah, all of whom are married and have families. The sons live on adjoining

farms, and the daughter in Findlay, Ohio. On the 22d of November, 1867, the wife and mother was called from earth. The present wife of our subject was Mrs. Melissa (Green) Kendall, the widow of Jonathan Kendall, and daughter of John B. and Sophia (Bessey) Green. Mrs. Benner was born March 20, 1832, in Lima Township, Licking County, of which her parents were early settlers. Her mother died when she was two years old, leaving two daughters, Melissa and Mary Minerva. The latter is the widow of Richard Gates, and resides with her daughter in Columbus, Ohio. The second wife of Mr. Green was Anna Bodain, who bore him five children, Robert P., Sarah J., Sophia, Martha and James B. Only two are now living, Sophia, the widow of Alvin Nichols, a Captain in the late war, and James B. Mrs. Nichols resides in Jersey Township, Licking County, and receives a pension from the Government in return for her husband's services in the war. James, who married Miss Victoria Mason, is a resident of Indianapolis, Ind., where for many years he has been engaged as a dealer in boots and shoes; Martha died at sixteen years of age; Robert P. never married, dying in Columbus at the age of about forty years; Sarah J. became the wife of Benjamin Snoddy, and died in Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

By her first marriage Mrs. Benner had three children. George O., the eldest, was born in 1852, and when last heard from (seven years ago) was in Colorado; Eugene, who was born in 1858, married Fannie McNerland and conducts a farm in Licking County; Eva L., now the wife of Edwin M. Baker, resides on a farm in this county; Eugene has one son, the only grandchild that Mrs. Benner has. Our subject has five grandchildren. The religious home of the family is in the Christian Church at Appleton.

Having more leisure time of late years than formerly, Mr. Benner is enabled to spend many hours each day in reading, and thus keeps thoroughly posted upon the great issues of the age. In politics he has always affiliated with the Democrats, but has never been partisan in his preferences. For about nine years he held the office of Township Trustee, and has also officiated in other local positions of trust. He has been a witness of the wonderful improvements this century has wrought in Licking County, and has himself contributed to its advancement. Enterprising, intelligent and public spirited, he is a citizen eminently worthy of representation in a work of this character, in fact this volume would be incomplete did it not contain a record of his life.

JOHN H. DAY. The subject of this sketch was born in Hampshire County, Va., November 25, 1840. His parents, Peter and Jane (Smith) Day, also natives of Hampshire County, spent their entire lives in the immediate vicinity of their birth, the father dying about 1850, and the mother March 4, 1874. Three sons comprised the family, of whom John H. is the only survivor. The eldest, James, was a member of Company D, Second Virginia Infantry, Berkeley Border Guards, which gained considerable fame as the company that captured John Brown. He continued his membership until the Civil War broke out, at which time, being a railroad agent, he was enabled by means of blank passes furnished by his employer to avoid arrest, and was never actively engaged against the Union. He died April 7, 1878, at Weston Insane Asylum, of apoplexy, and was buried by the Masonic fraternity, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias and Sons of Temperance, of all of which he was a member. His widow still lives in Virginia; three of his sons are employed as telegraph operators in Pittsburg, Pa. Our subject's other brother, Christopher, died when about six years of age.

At the age of eleven years, John H. Day came to Licking County, Ohio, with relatives, with whom he lived until twenty-three years of age. The rudiments of his education were gained in the district schools of Burlington Township, and the knowledge there gained has been supplemented by private study, so that, being a thoughtful, studious reader, he is a well informed man. In

1862 he became a member of Company H, Seventy-sixth Ohio Infantry, in which he served about a year. On the 11th of January, 1863, he was wounded at Arkansas Post, which disabled him to such an extent that he was discharged from the service. As a compensation for injuries received, he has been a pensioner of the Government since the close of the war.

Upon returning to Homer, Mr. Day engaged in the grocery business for about two years, and after selling out he engaged as clerk in a mercantile house at Newark. For some years, however, he has been physically unable to engage in any regular business. He has filled nearly all the offices within the gift of the people of Burlington Township. For thirteen years he has been a member of the Board of Education, for two years served his township as Assessor, for five years filled the position of Township Clerk, and for six years was Constable. Though his party, the Democratic, is usually in the minority, he has been elected to every office, with one exception, for which he has been nominated. This fact proves the high esteem in which he is held by his fellow-citizens.

December 29, 1863, Mr. Day was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth Edwards, a native of Licking County. Her father, Ira Edwards, was born in New Jersey, and died in Licking County in 1876; he was twice married, having three children by his first, and ten by his second union. Mrs. Day was a child of the second marriage, and has two sisters and one brother now living. By her marriage to Mr. Day eight children were born, one of whom died unnamed in infancy. Ella, who was a great sufferer during her short life of eight years, died of spinal meningitis after having been helpless and deaf and dumb for two years. The others are, Aldie Virginia, wife of Marion Shipley, of Burlington Township; Mary I., James Wellington and Frank Odell, who reside with their parents; Maude, wife of Frank Beaver, residing in Knox County, Ohio, and Josie, at home.

Socially, Mr. Day is a member of Dill Post No. 463, G. A. R., in which he has filled every office but that of Quartermaster. He is also identified with the Knights of Pythias. His wife and two of the daughters are connected with the Baptist Church, while the other members of the family are Presbyterians or Methodists. Mrs. Day is an estimable lady, and a member of a family that traces its origin to Germany, while Mr. Day is of Irish ancestry. The children have been the recipients of the best educational advantages, and Mary and James have engaged in teaching school for several years. For forty-two years Mr. Day has resided within two miles of Homer or in the village, and his present home is a comfortable abode in Homer, where he has lived since 1863. Having been a resident of this locality for so many years, he is well known to the people, and his upright life has won for him the confidence of his associates.

OLIVER WILLISON. The Middle States are so productive of grain that it is not surprising that a large number of people have reaped from the bountiful harvests of Mother Earth a reasonable amount of this world's goods. Among the number who for years have been successfully engaged in tilling the soil of Licking County is the gentleman above named, one of the leading farmers of Hartford Township and a representative of one of the pioneer families of this locality. His fine farm is embellished with a good set of buildings, the most important of which is the family residence. Near it are such structures as the practical development of a model farm calls for, while through the proper rotation of crops and fertilizing of the soil the land has been brought to a high state of cultivation.

In Monroe Township, Licking County, our subject was born November 27, 1819. His parents, Jeremiah and Sarah (Stymets) Willison, who were married in Newark, Ohio, about 1814, were natives respectively of Virginia and Pennsylvania, the former born January 31, 1792, and the latter November 18, 1793. The father and his brother Hyatt served in the War of 1812 under General

Tupper, while another brother, Elias, served under General Harrison. The mother's family was also represented in the second war with England. Her father is said to have burned the first brick ever manufactured in Newark, Ohio.

When the family located here Licking County was one vast wilderness. There were no roads except paths "blazed" on trees through the woods. The Wyandotte Indians were here in force, but were friendly to the white settlers. Though they soon afterward removed from this locality, they returned each spring for several years to hunt and make sugar. The first bedstead owned by the Willison family was a one-legged affair. It was built across a corner of the room in the angle of the wall. Pins were driven in the walls of the log cabin for support of the back side, head and foot, only one leg being necessary in its construction. All the grain was thrashed with flails or tramped out with horses and cleaned up in sheets, no wind mills being in use for many years. Ropes took the place of leather for lines, bridle reins, halters, etc. Everyone raised flax, and the women were without exception expert spinners. No sleds or wagons were in use except such primitive vehicles as could be constructed without many tools or much mechanical genius.

The father of our subject died on the home farm in Monroe Township, April 3, 1872. His wife survived him eleven years, her death occurring July 20, 1883. There were five sons and five daughters in the family, of whom our subject was the eldest son and second child. Tirzah, born October 23, 1817, died at eighteen years of age. Effie, born May 3, 1822, married James N. Wright and lives in this township. Esther, born July 13, 1824, became the wife of William Baker and died near Johnstown, Licking County, leaving four children. Addis, born February 14, 1827, died on the twentieth anniversary of his birth. James M., born August 13, 1829, married a daughter of John Conklin and now lives in Hartford, Ohio. Miles N. was born June 6, 1832, and died a few years ago. Maria L., born September 4, 1834, married Thomas Corbin and resides in this neighborhood. Mary L. was born March 27, 1837, and married Isaac Hill, Deputy-Sergeant at Arms in the House of Representatives, Washington, D. C. Jeremiah Johnson was born August 19, 1840, and died September 4, 1861.

On the 28th of May, 1845, our subject was united in marriage with Miss Roanna, daughter of James and Maria (Brumage) Iliff, natives respectively of Pennsylvania and Virginia, both of English ancestry. They were early settlers of Perry County, Ohio, coming hither with their parents in the early part of the present century. In that county Mrs. Willison was born February 22, 1826. By her marriage ten children were born, eight of whom are now living. James died of scarlet fever when three years old. Tirzah is the wife of Theodore Baker, of Hartford, Ohio. Orlena married Allen B. Shaffer and resides in Delaware County, Ohio. Addis married Emma Duke and lives in Liberty Township, Licking County. Celia, Mrs. Homer Green, died in Monroe Township, this county. William B. married Bertie Green and lives in Hartford Township. Jeremiah J. married Ella Ashbrook and lives in Delaware County. Douglas, who was united in marriage with Della Graves, lives just across the road from the parental home. Sallie, who was educated in the colleges at Ada and Delaware, Ohio, first married S. P. Fisher, a teacher in the Ohio Normal School at Ada, who died about 1887. She is now the wife of Rev. Will Swallen, a missionary of the Presbyterian Church in Korea, China, and by that union has a daughter, Olivet, born in Korea August 10, 1893. Jennie, the youngest member of the family, married William Ashbrook, an editor and Postmaster at Johnstown, Ohio.

The father of our subject and his brothers, except Elias, were Democrats, and our subject has followed in the footsteps of his ancestors and never votes any other than the Democratic ticket. In religious belief he and his family are Methodists. He has witnessed with interest the remarkable development of this county. Soon after his marriage he moved to his present beautiful homestead and here he has lived for forty-nine years. In all his business undertakings he has been very successful. He began life on his own account by purchasing forty acres of land. When this was paid for he purchased another piece, and thus contin-

ued to add to his property until he now has two hundred and eighty acres of excellent farming land, well improved. He has also been liberal with his children and has divided about $40,000 among them. In religious enterprises he has been equally generous, and few indeed are the buildings erected for church purposes to the building fund of which he has not contributed. His father never had a lawsuit nor never paid a cent of costs, and the same is virtually true of our subject, who is a peaceable, law-abiding citizen. As a companion he is genial and entertaining, hospitable, open-hearted and honest with all.

Mr. and Mrs. Swallen have been in Korea two years and will doubtless remain there six years longer, as they have an eight years' engagement for that field. They are perfectly happy and contented in that oriental country, and are devoted to their work of converting the people to Christ. Both are liberally educated and specially fitted for their chosen work. Mr. Swallen took a special training course in a theological college at Chicago, while his wife is a graduate of Ada College and Delaware University.

HON. JAMES LISLE, M. D. Probably few residents of Licking County enjoy a more widely extended reputation, both in professional and political circles, than this successful physician of Pataskala. He enjoys the distinction of being the oldest practitioner in the village, having opened an office here in August of 1875. To the discharge of professional duties he brings a well equipped mind, thorough information regarding the science of therapeutics, skill in the diagnosis of intricate diseases and success in their treatment. The possession of these qualifications has won for him the confidence of the people of the county.

The family of which our subject is a member has been identified with the history of Ohio for several generations. Many years ago, before the city of Columbus was in existence, and when the entire country was covered with heavy timber, Grandfather James Lisle, accompanied by his wife, came from Kentucky to Ohio on horseback, and became one of the pioneers of Franklin County. Building a small log cabin he made it his home for a number of years, when it was replaced by a house similarly constructed, but of larger size. His landed possessions in Franklin County included one hundred and sixty acres, and his brother, Robert, who accompanied him to the Buckeye State, also became one of the land owners of the county.

When about fifty-five years old, Grandfather Lisle was drowned while crossing a river in winter. He was long survived by his wife, who attained the age of seventy. Their family consisted of the following-named children: John, Robert, Alexander, William, Abbie, who married and removed to Iowa, and Mary. The grandparents were faithful members of the Lutheran Church. William Lisle, father of our subject, was born in Franklin County, Ohio, in 1806, and was reared upon a farm, attending the pioneer schools of those days. When a young man he went on foot to the Mississippi River, thence by boat to New Orleans, and from there returned north to Nauvoo, Hancock County, Ill. Purchasing a horse at that place he completed the homeward journey on horseback. This extended trip was made with a view to securing another location, but he returned content to make the Buckeye State his permanent home.

Prior to this journey William Lisle had worked by the year at twenty-five cents per day. On his return home he married Miss Sarah McWilliams, and settled on rented land ten miles west of Columbus, meantime also tilling his father's farm. After some years spent as a renter, he purchased property, and is now the owner of four farms. The home place consists of over three hundred acres of valuable, well improved land, and is one of the best estates in the county. In early life, while associated with his brother in the live stock business, he twice failed, but since then has been very successful in that department of agriculture.

Politically, William Lisle is a Democrat, and for twenty-five years served as Township Trustee. He

is a believer in the Christian religion, but is not a member of any church. He and his devoted wife have shared each other's joys and lightened each other's sorrows for almost a half-century, and are now spending their declining days in quiet retirement. They have had six sons and two daughters, namely: Estella, who died in Franklin County; Zadoc, who died at the age of twenty-eight; Osmer, who passed away when three years old; John, a physician of Columbus; our subject; Lewis, who is engaged in medical practice at Celina, Ohio; Delia, wife of Harry Hubbard, of Columbus, and George, who resides on the home farm.

A native of Franklin County, Ohio, our subject was born near Columbus February 10, 1848. After attending the district schools for some years, he entered Central College, spending three years there. Later he remained for two years at Lebanon College, and then taught several terms of school, spending his leisure moments in the study of medicine. He took a course of lectures at Starling Medical College, and then entered the Cincinnati College of Medicine and Surgery, graduating with the Class of '73. He has also taken lectures at the New York and Chicago Polyclinics. For about three years he practiced his profession in Roseville, whence he came to Pataskala.

In the Democratic party Dr. Lisle is an active worker, and upon that ticket was elected in 1883, and again in 1887, to represent his district in the Legislature. While occupying the responsible position of Representative he served as Chairman of the Committee on Medical Legislation, as Secretary of the Committee on Investigation of State Institutions, and as a member of other committees. Socially, he is identified with the Pataskala Valley Lodge No. 488, I. O. O. F., in which he has filled all the chairs, and has also represented his lodge in the grand lodge. He is a member of Pataskala Lodge No. 404, A. F. & A. M.

During the progress of the Civil War, Dr. Lisle enlisted as a member of Company C, First Indiana Heavy Artillery, in which he served until the close of the Rebellion. Among the engagements in which he participated were those at Port Hudson, Mobile, Ft. Morgan, Ft. Selman and Spanish Fort. At the last-named engagement he was wounded by a piece of shell, resulting in the loss of the sight of the right eye. Notwithstanding this affliction he continued in active service until the war ended. He is now a member of Baird Post No. 653, G. A. R., of which he was the first commander.

March 10, 1874, occurred the marriage of Dr. Lisle to Miss Hattie Reese, who was born in Muskingum County, Ohio, being a daughter of Bailey Reese. Four children blessed this union, of whom the eldest, Daisy, died at the age of two years. The others are, Nellie, Charles and Bessie.

WILLIAM EVERS. To the brave men who defended the Union during the dark days of the Rebellion, our country owes a debt of gratitude that can never be paid. Among the veterans of the war now living in Licking County is the gentleman whose name introduces this sketch and who is numbered among the influential citizens of Washington Township. The exposures incident to forced marches, together with the privations of camp life, undermined his vigorous constitution to such an extent that he has never regained his health, and is still unable to actively engage in the tilling of the soil, his attention being devoted principally to a general supervision of his farm.

Little is known concerning the parentage or ancestry of our subject. On account of poverty the family became separated and the children were reared by strangers, thus soon losing all trace of one another's whereabouts. It is known, however, that the parents of our subject, William and Margaret S. Evers, came from Ireland to America about 1835 and after a short sojourn in Maryland removed to West Virginia, where the father died. The widowed mother subsequently came to Ohio and died in Licking County. The six children, Patrick, Michael, John, Thomas, William and James, became scattered in childhood in various

states of the Union and little reliable information can be obtained regarding their whereabouts.

Our subject was born in Ireland about 1822 and at the age of ten years came to America with his Uncle John, stopping for a time at Yonkers, N. Y., where he attended school. Afterward he resided successively in Maryland, Virginia and Ohio. His arrival in the last named state dates from 1856, at which time he settled in Licking County. On the 4th of October, 1859, he was united in marriage with Miss Sarah Ann Rice, who was born in Greene County, Pa., February 10, 1832. Her parents, Jesse and Sarah Ann Rice, came to Ohio in 1833, and after a short residence in Knox County settled in Fallsbury Township, Licking County, where Mrs. Rice died. Later Mr. Rice removed to Indiana, and there his life was closed. He and his wife were the parents of thirteen children, of whom eleven attained years of maturity.

After marriage Mr. Evers engaged in farming in Knox County. In 1862 he laid aside the implements of peace for those of war and was mustered into the United States service as a member of Company A, Seventy-sixth Ohio Infantry, with which he marched to the front. He saw a great deal of active service and participated in many perilous engagements, including those at Chickasaw Bayou, Grand Gulf, Raymond, Jackson, Champion Hills, Black River, and the siege and surrender of Vicksburg. He was prostrated with disease, which unfitted him for further service and was therefore honorably discharged August 4, 1863. His health was shattered for life, and as a partial remuneration for his service and sufferings the Government has granted him a pension.

In March of 1866 Mr. Evers settled in Washington Township, Licking County, where he now owns and occupies a well improved farm. He and his wife are the parents of four children, as follows: James Francis, who was born July 29, 1860; Margaret Susan, December 9, 1861; Mary Ellen, deceased; and William Ira, born July 12, 1873. The only surviving daughter is the wife of Perry Van Winkle and resides in Knox County. The political affiliations of Mr. Evers are with the Republican party. He is as loyal to our Government as any of its native-born sons and maintains an intelligent interest in the great issues of the age. With his wife he holds membership in the Christian Church. In the community where he has so long resided he is highly regarded as a veteran of the late war and a loyal citizen of the United States.

REV. JAMES N. WRIGHT, a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church and a prominent farmer of Hartford Township was born in St. Alban's Township, Licking County, on the 20th of February, 1818. His parents Simeon and Susanna (Abbott) Wright, were natives respectively of Vermont and Connecticut, the former born in 1772, and the latter October 10, 1768. In the Green Mountain State their marriage was solemnized in 1798. They had a family of ten children, four of whom are now living.

Seth S., the eldest of the family, was born January 22, 1799; Lucy, January 11, 1800; Hiram, July 25, 1803; Sally, July 5, 1805; Wait F., July 20, 1807; Robert P., May 26, 1809; Polly, April 5, 1813; Martha, May 3, 1815; James N., February 20, 1818; Anna, March 11, 1821. All the members of this family attained mature years and some lived to a good old age. At present (1894), four are living, those besides our subject being, Wait F., who married Mary Hults and lives near Johnstown, Ohio; Martha, wife of Lorenus Baker, a resident of Mt. Gilead, Morrow County, Ohio; and Anna, who married Ludlow Denman and resides at Chesterville, Morrow County. The father of this family died in Licking County, September 4, 1833, aged sixty-one years and seven months.

The Wright family has always been noted for patriotism. Grandfather Simeon Wright was an officer in the Revolutionary War and also had many thrilling experiences with the Indians during the early history of Vermont. Notwithstanding the fact that his life was ofttimes in peril, he attained the advanced age of ninety years. Sim-

con Wright, who served as a Major in the War of 1812, saw some of the severest battles of the war, and at one time lost from his command twenty-one out of sixty men engaged. After the birth of eight children he brought his family from Vermont to Ohio, making the trip overland with teams and spending eight weeks on the way. The journey was an extremely difficult one, and often he was obliged to cut roads through the impenetrable forests.

After completing the studies of the common schools, the subject of this sketch became a student at the college in Granville and thus acquired a good education. October 21, 1842, he was united in marriage with Miss Ellie, a sister of Oliver Willison, of whom mention is made on another page. At the time of his marriage he was engaged in the mercantile business at Johnstown and continued in that line for ten years. Then purchasing a farm, he gave his attention to its supervision. On the 3d of July, 1835, he became a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and in 1848 was licensed to preach. He has always been zealous and active in religious work, and is never too weary to attend a funeral service or take the place of an absent minister. His wife has been identified with the same church for fifty-two years.

Of the family of Mr. and Mrs. Wright we note the following: Flora L., born October 26, 1844, married Jesse Lake and died in 1888 in the triumph of a living faith in her Redeemer; she left two children. Columbia A., who was born September 5, 1846, married Norman Kasson (see sketch elsewhere in this volume). Esther L., born May 3, 1849, is the wife of James W. Wolf, of Monroe Township, Licking County; Miles L., born April 3, 1852, married Orlinda Searles and lives in Johnstown; Seth S., born May 21, 1854, married Sarah Barnum and lives on a farm near the parental home; James N., born August 6, 1858, is a practicing physician in Newton, Union County, Ohio; his wife was formerly Miss Florence Hill, a teacher of Licking County. Frank P., born May 19, 1861, married Miss Allie Wells, formerly a school teacher, and they are living in Monroe Township. The children have all received excellent educational advantages. Dr. James N., who is now a very successful physician, was educated in the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, graduating from the medical department of that institution with high honors. It is a fact of which the parents are justly proud that all the sons and daughters are identified with the Methodist Episcopal Church and are sincere Christians.

So interested is Mr. Wright in the spiritual welfare of mankind that he has aided religious work in every way possible, although his work has been wholly without compensation except in the satisfaction of having discharged his duty to mankind. He exercises his elective franchise in favor of the candidates of the Republican party, and socially is a member of the Masonic order. In addition to the raising of cereals he has been extensively engaged in sheep and wool growing, in which he has met with flattering success.

JOSEPH ATKINSON, President of the Pataskala Banking Company, and an extensive agriculturist of Harrison Township, was born on the farm where he now lives January 23, 1839, being the son of Peabody and Marinda (Elliott) Atkinson. His father was a native of Boscawen, N. H., born in 1805, and died in St. Alban's Township, Licking County, in July, 1863, as the result of an accident while sacking wool. The mother, also a native of the Granite State, died in Granville, Ohio, in 1866.

It was about 1831 when the family came to Licking County, the father renting a large tract of land which he cultivated for three years. Returning to his native New Hampshire he married, then came again to the Licking Township farm, making the journey via the Ohio Canal. The boat halted opposite the farm and their goods were dropped on the bank, where they remained until the next morning. Three neighbors, Baird, Miller and Atkinson, bought twenty-four hundred acres in Harrison Township, divided it into three farms and began its cultivation. The father made a

specialty of wool growing, and was thus engaged when he lost his life, as stated.

There was a family of seven children, four of whom are living. Mary, the widow of William E. Atkinson, resides near Pataskala; William Henry died at the age of three years; Joseph is the third of the family; George J., who married Miss Madge R. McGeah, of Columbus, Ohio, is a resident of that city, where he is an attorney and also engages in the abstract business; Samuel Peabody married Rena Shobe, now deceased; he lives in Champaign, Ill., where he is successfully conducting the marble business; Anna Eliza and Nettie died in childhood.

After completing the studies of the common schools our subject spent one year at Union Seminary, Danville, Ill., and afterward attended Denison University for two years. While in college his father died and he was obliged to return home in order to superintend the estate. This was perhaps the turning point in his life, and he became a farmer. By the conditions of his father's will he was to have the home farm, after paying the interests of the other heirs. Other landed property was owned by the estate in Illinois.

In 1864 Mr. Atkinson enlisted in Company D, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Ohio Infantry, and became Second Lieutenant of his company. He served in the Shenandoah Valley and in the vicinity of Harper's Ferry and Martinsburg, Va. There were several skirmishes with the enemy, and three companies of the One Hundred and Thirty-fifth were captured and taken to Andersonville, where about fifty of the number died. Returning home after his discharge, our subject resumed his farming interests. In 1872 he married Miss Julia C., daughter of the late Dr. James Ewing, a pioneer physician of Licking County. The full family history appears in this work under the title of Samuel J. Ewing.

To Mr. and Mrs. Atkinson seven children have been born, all of whom are living. Charles Ewing, a graduate of the Pataskala High School, spent some time in the Ohio State University, and is now at home; Florence Elliott will complete the studies of the Granville Female College in 1895; Frank Peabody, Joseph Barnard, Harry Churchill, James and Carlton Coffin are students in the neighboring schools. In 1887 the Pataskala Banking Company was organized, and Mr. Atkinson becoming a stockholder, was elected President of the institution, in which capacity he has since officiated. He is a member of Baird Post No. 653, G. A. R., at Pataskala, in which he is Past Commander.

Interested in public affairs, Mr. Atkinson has filled the office of Trustee of Harrison Township for several years. He has been the candidate of the Republicans for the offices of County Surveyor and County Commissioner, but his party being in the minority by nearly two thousand, he of course did not expect election. In the Presbyterian Church with which the family is connected, he has served as an Elder for several years. The Atkinson family is of English origin, its first representatives in America coming to this country in the sixteenth century. The martyr spy, Nathan Hale, was related to the family, and other members and connections displayed the greatest loyalty to the Colonies during the dark days of the Revolution.

The farm owned by Mr. Atkinson consists of four hundred acres, upon which are excellent improvements. A handsome residence, built after a modern style of architecture, a fine large barn and other substantial outbuildings, add to the value of the property. He is interested in the breeding of Short-horn cattle and has a herd of thoroughbreds. In sheep raising he also maintains a special interest, having commenced with this industry where his father left it. His honorable reputation as a loyal soldier and his standing as a straightforward, thorough-going business man, give him great influence in the community and make his opinions of weight with all who know him.

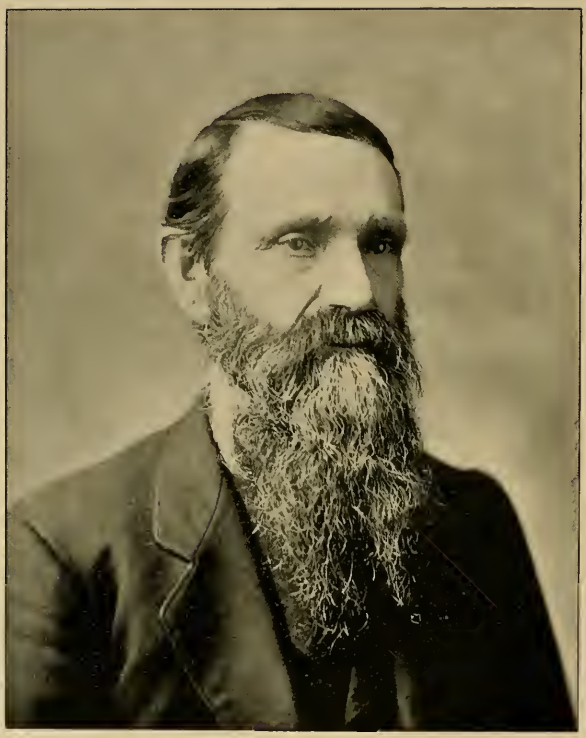
SAMUEL A. POUND. The farming lands of Licking County comprise its most valuable property, and the men who have placed them under cultivation occupy no unimportant position among an intelligent population. The subject of this notice belongs to this class, be-

ing the owner of two hundred and ten acres of highly improved land in Eden Township. He enjoys a reputation not only as a substantial farmer, but also as a progressive and public-spirited citizen. Farming and stock-raising have formed his principal occupations in life, and the energetic manner in which he has taken advantage of every method tending toward the enhanced value of his property has had considerable to do with his success.

The subject of this sketch was born in Orange County, N. Y., August 28, 1830, and is the son of Joseph and Elizabeth (Allison) Pound, natives of New York State. The family came to Ohio about 1840, and settled in Mary Ann Township, where the father purchased a tract of unimproved land, and to the improvement of this property he devoted the remaining years of his life. After a long and useful life he passed away, at the age of seventy-one. His wife died previous to his demise, aged sixty-nine years. Such had been his energy that, though beginning with no means or friends, he accumulated two hundred and forty acres of valuable land.

In the family of Joseph Pound there were eight children, of whom we note the following: Mary Ann married P. W. Harris and died in Putnam County, Ohio; Sarah became the wife of Joseph Hickey, who lives in Washington Township; our subject is next in order of birth; Joseph resides in Licking County; Emily is the wife of David Hall, of Washington Township; Maria is the wife of George Chilcoat; Richard and Nehemiah are residents of Mary Ann Township. Samuel A. was reared on the home farm. The educational privileges which he received were only those afforded by the common schools of the locality. His training at farm labor, however, was not so meagre, for he was early inured to the arduous labors of the fields. He gave his father the benefit of his services in youth, but upon attaining his majority embarked in life for himself.

In Mary Ann Township occurred the marriage of Samuel A. Pound and Miss Lucinda Wilkin, who was there born, being a daughter of Henry Wilkin. After marriage he settled upon the farm where he now lives and to the cultivation of which he devotes his attention. In addition to this place he superintends the management of forty acres belonging to his wife. They have a family numbering eight children, as follows: Emma L., wife of Alonzo Holtz, of Madison Township, Licking County; Belle, who married Byron Harris, of Mary Ann Township; Wallace, living in Eden Township, Magdalena, Sadie L., William, Orlando and Ella, who are with their parents.



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ACIL DENMAN, a prominent agriculturist and representative citizen of Perry Township, was born in Licking County, January 4, 1826, and is the youngest child of Philip and Amelia (Fox) Denman, the former a native of New Jersey, and the latter of Connecticut. The father was one of the pioneers of Ohio, having settled on Rocky Fork, near Hanover, in the year 1804. From there he removed to the farm now owned by our subject, and soon after coming here built what was then the largest house in all the country. Within its walls the early settlers assembled for worship, and it is said by some that these were among the first services ever held by the Methodist Church in Licking County. The Denmans were powerful men, and delighted in feats of strength.

At an advanced age Philip Denman passed away, September 22, 1868, honored and mourned by all who knew him. He had been three times married, and six children resulted from his first union, two of whom died in early childhood. Phœbe, the eldest, was born March 6, 1810, and married a Mr. Horner, now deceased; she passed away March 16, 1886. Two of their three children are deceased, while the third is living at Columbus Grove, Ohio, Marinda, who was born June 21, 1813, married Richard Wales, and they had two children, Leander S., a graduate of the Ohio Wesleyan College at Delaware, and Uriah. Mrs. Wales was a devout Christian and an earnest worker in the cause of religion. Philip R. was born in July, 1823, and mention of him is made in the biography of Frank Denman on another page.

The subject of this sketch grew to manhood in this county, and June 3, 1853, married Miss Ann Jane O'Connor, by whom he had two children: Minnie, the wife of W. W. Irwin, who resides at Boulder, Colo., and Helen, who married W. H. Lynn and lives at Winfield, Kan. Mrs. Denman was a descendant of an aristocratic family of the North of Ireland, and was a cultured lady, a graduate of the Granville Female Seminary. She died in July, 1858.

Ten years later Mr. Denman married Miss Bettie Balsley, daughter of Jacob and Nancy (Hood) Balsley. She was one of eight children, of whom the eldest, Mary J., married J. McBride, who died in Andersonville Prison. After twenty years of widowhood, Mrs. McBride became the wife of Ephraim Bonifield and removed from Muskingum County to McPherson, Kan., where Mr. Boni-

field died in 1889. Mrs. Bonifield and her son, John McBride, reside in a beautiful home near McPherson. Mrs. Denman is second in order of birth. The third daughter, Mrs. Hattie German, lives at Horton, Kan., and is the mother of four children. Dr. J. W. Balsley, the fourth member of the family circle, is a prominent physician and druggist of Oskaloosa, Kan. During the late war he served for four years in the Union army, and was twice taken prisoner, but each time was paroled. His wife was formerly Miss Sadie Bonifield, and is a niece of Dr. T. A. Reamy, of Cincinnati. For two years she has been a member of the City Council of Oskaloosa, and is a lady of education and ability.

The next in order of birth is Nanie B., wife of Edward Richards, of Nashport, Ohio, to whom she has borne four children. Fannie, the youngest of the daughters, is a teacher of unusual ability, and has taught in the schools of Harrisburg, Oskaloosa and Valley Falls, Kan. At present she is making her home with Mrs. Richards, at Nashport. The twins, Herbert and Earnest, are the youngest of this large family. Herbert is a painter living at Dayton, Ohio, while Earnest, a farmer by occupation, resides in Zanesville, Ohio. Mrs. Balsley died very suddenly May 30, 1889. Her father was a participant in the War of 1812, while the father of Mr. Balsley served in the Revolutionary War.

On account of failing health, our subject was obliged to abandon farming pursuits. He then entered a store and clerked for four years, but his health not improving, he decided to take a trip to the California gold fields. In 1850 he went to New York and purchased a through ticket to California via the Isthmus of Panama. All went well until Panama was reached, when he found that the "Columbia," the steamer he was to take from there, had not rounded Cape Horn, and on inquiry he learned that it would be six weeks before she would arrive at the Isthmus. He could sell the rest of his ticket for just what it cost in New York, but when he came to buy another, it was different. They wanted more for a ticket than a common man could earn in a life time.

Finally taking passage on a sailing-vessel at Panama, Mr. Denman soon found that his troubles were not ended. The captain committed suicide, and after the excitement abated the mate said they had been on the wrong course, and the Captain had been insane for weeks. Returning to Panama, the vessel was there refitted and once more started on its course. Five months after leaving New York, Mr. Denman reached the gold fields. While there he had a narrow escape from death, but fortunately regained his strength, and is now, at the age of sixty-nine, one of the finest specimens of physical manhood in Licking County.

Arriving at home from California in 1852, Mr. Denman investigated property with a view to purchase, and decided to locate in Licking County. Here he has since resided, his home being upon a valuable farm of one hundred and thirty acres. The residence is a commodious structure, occupying a splendid site and surrounded with attractive rural environments. His life proves what may be accomplished by industry, honor and perseverance. His opportunities in youth were meagre, and although he had a scholarship in the Wesleyan College, ill health prevented him from attending. In the school of experience, he has been an apt student, and probably throughout the entire county few men are better informed than he.

Politically a Republican, Mr. Denman votes and works with that party. He has held various township offices, and at one time was elected Assessor without his personal knowledge. As an earnest, consistent Christian, he affiliates with the Methodist Episcopal Church, with which denomination all the members of his family are identified.

CAPT. HIRAM BRICKER, formerly one of the most extensive stock-raisers of Licking County, but now a retired citizen of Utica, was born in Knox County, Ohio, September 14, 1826. He is of direct German descent, his grandfather, Ludwig Bricker, having been born in Germany, whence in boyhood he came to America

with the other members of the family. He settled in Maryland, and there grew to manhood and married. Later he removed to Washington County, Pa., where his death occurred at an advanced age. He had a large family, and his sons became pioneers of Knox County, Ohio.

The youngest of the family was David, father of our subject, who was born in Washington County, Pa., September 14, 1800. He married Indiana Cox, a native of Greene County, Pa., who was born March 4, 1798, and in 1821 settled in Morgan Township, Knox County, on a farm of two hundred acres, containing few improvements. Being a man of great industry and excellent judgment, he became the owner of several farms, which he divided among his children. In 1873 he purchased a residence property in Utica at a cost of $5,000, and retired from active pursuits. His death occurred September 14, 1878. His wife passed from earth March 2, 1887, aged eighty-nine years.

In early life David Bricker was a member of the Baptist Church, but during his later years was a Universalist in belief. Politically he was a stanch Republican, and at different times held office in the township where he resided so many years. His children were six in number, viz.: Elizabeth, who married Jesse Bell and died in Greene County, Pa.; Christopher, who departed this life in Delaware County, Ohio; Emeline, who married Harvey Cox and died in Knox County, Ohio; Anna Belle, Mrs. Samuel Elliott, who died in Knox County, Ohio; Hiram; and Demus, who resides in Rich Hill Township, Knox County.

The educational advantages of our subject were limited to such privileges as were afforded by the public schools of Morgan Township, Knox County. At the age of eighteen he became a dealer in live stock, buying in Ohio and driving to Cumberland, Md., which was then the nearest railroad point. It required forty days to market stock at that time. Upon one occasion he drove his stock to Baltimore. In 1853 he settled on a farm in Washington Township, where he became an extensive sheep raiser and dealer in wool. His own flock, after removing to Knox County, numbered one thousand head of merino sheep. In 1872 he removed to the farm where he was born, and continued as before until October, 1891, when he retired from active business and took up his residence in Utica.

In 1864 our subject enlisted for one hundred days, and was mustered into service as First Lieutenant of Company A, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Ohio Infantry. After having served for four months, he was mustered out with the rank of Captain. During his period of service he participated in two engagements. His landed possessions include three well improved farms, which aggregate nearly five hundred acres, and he also owns a pleasant home in Utica. Socially he is a member of Channel Post No. 188, G. A. R., of which he is Past Commander. A Republican in politics, he has served as Justice of the Peace, and also filled other minor offices. In religious connections he and his wife belong to the Church of Christ.

The lady who February 17, 1853, became the wife of Captain Bricker was Harriet Malissa, daughter of Isaac and Catherine (Hanger) Bell. Her father was born in Washington County, Pa., in 1802, and was a son of James and Elizabeth (Hayes) Bell, whom he accompanied to Licking County in an early day. He pursued farming with marked success, becoming the owner of about nine hundred acres, and engaged extensively in the business of a wool grower. His death occurred November 11, 1882, while his wife passed away February 12, 1878, aged seventy-six years. They were devoted members of the Church of Christ, in which faith they reared their six children. Mrs. Bricker, the youngest of the family, was born in Licking County, February 14, 1836, and has here made her life-long home. She is a lady of culture, who with the Captain is highly regarded in the social circles of the community.

Captain and Mrs. Bricker have had twelve children: David A., born on the 5th of April, 1854, is a hardware merchant of Utica; Isaac B., born August 12, 1856, died at the age of seven years; Catherine A., born July 26, 1858, is the wife of Ray McWilliams, a farmer of Licking County; Anabell, born November 28, 1860, married F. T. Mercer, druggist, and the present Postmaster of Centreburgh, Knox County, Ohio; Elizabeth L., born January 9, 1863, is the wife of Hugh Harrison,

of Knox County; Virginia, born August 9, 1865, married James Seward, of Newark; James F., born November 22, 1867, manages the home farm in Knox County; Mary Emma, born December 3, 1869; Cary Tecumseh, born February 3, 1872; Laura E., born April 9, 1874; Charles C., born February 18, 1876; and Nellie M., January 7, 1878, complete the family.

JWILLIS FULTON. His present farm has been the life-long home of Mr. Fulton, and in the house where he now lives he was born March 18, 1851. His parents were John M. and Rebecca A. (Young) Fulton, the former born in Berkeley County, W. Va., in 1814, and the latter in Licking County, Ohio, in 1820. The father was in turn the son of Robert Fulton, a native of the North of Ireland, who after his marriage emigrated to America and settled in West Virginia.

When about nine years of age John M. Fulton accompanied his parents to Licking County, where he was reared to manhood. Of his marriage, two sons and three daughters were born. The eldest, Robert S., was graduated from the Newark High School, and later finished the course in Marietta College, from which institution he was graduated after four years' study. He is now a prominent attorney of Cincinnati, where he married Miss Mary Morse. In church and Sunday-school work he is quite active, and is one of the Elders before whom H. P. Smith was tried for heresy in the Presbyterian Church of Cincinnati.

The eldest daughter, Mary, is the wife of Samuel F. Van Voorhis, a well-to-do retired farmer of Newark and a man of some prominence there, being connected with the Board of Trade, the electric railroad, and the building and loan association of that city. Our subject is in order of birth the third member of the household. Lou is the wife of Charles H. Follett, of Newark, whose family history will be noted in the sketch of Hon. Charles Follett. Nellie M., who resides with her mother in Newark, has been an invalid for fifteen years.

Receiving a common-school education, our subject was denied further educational advantages on account of failing eyesight. This calamity befell him as the result of a severe blow upon the head, caused by being thrown from a runaway horse. His entire life has been spent upon the farm where he now lives, which he inherited at the death of his father, December 29, 1873, two days after the sixtieth anniversary of his birth. The property was then divided among the heirs and the widow purchased city property, to which she soon afterward removed, and where she now resides.

November 28, 1873, Mr. Fulton was united in marriage with Miss Hattie E. Glick, who was born in Licking County September 15, 1851. She is the daughter of G. W. and Rosala Glick, the former of whom was Superintendent of the Licking County Infirmary for twenty-one years. Her education was received in the Granville Female College, where she took a normal course. For several years prior to her marriage she was successfully engaged in teaching school.

Two sons and one daughter were born to Mr. and Mrs. Fulton. Guy H., the eldest, was born March 4, 1874, and was graduated from the Newark High School with the Class of '92. He is now at home. Fred O., born May 30, 1876, is a student in the Newark High School; and Mary C. is also in school.

At the death of his father, our subject received his share of the estate, which was valued at $80,000. With his mother, he now owns a farm consisting of two hundred and eighteen acres of fertile land, upon which are excellent buildings and all necessary conveniences. While prosperous and successful in his agricultural operations, he has nevertheless met with several serious misfortunes. Twice he lost his barns by fire. Upon the first occasion a barn, 30x58 feet, cribs, wagon sheds, granary, etc., were entirely destroyed with contents, including a thoroughbred Short-horn bull. In April, 1893, the fire fiend again destroyed the new barns erected on the site of the old, consuming one thousand bushels of wheat, one thousand

bushels of corn, five head of horses, thirty head of hogs, farming implements, harness, etc. These buildings have since been replaced.

In political matters Mr. Fulton is earnest and active. He has been Township Trustee for six years, Land Appraiser for two terms, a Director of the Licking County Agricultural Society for ten years, and its Vice-President one year. In 1894 he was a candidate for County Commissioner, but his location was somewhat against him, and the office fell into the hands of a resident of the northeastern part of the county. Frequently he has represented the Democratic party in state and congressional conventions. Socially, he belongs to the Ancient Order of United Workmen. In religious views he is liberal. His father was a Presbyterian, his mother a Baptist, and his son and daughter are identified with the latter denomination.

LEWIS SIMMONS. As early as 1810 Van Simmons, father of our subject, removed from Hampshire County, Va., to Licking County, Ohio, and settling in Burlington Township, there cleared a farm from the midst of the forest. Shortly after erecting a log cabin he was drafted into service in the War of 1812, and at the close of that conflict returned to his farm and was soon afterward married. That important event united him with Miss Sarah Butcher, a native of Hardy County, Va., who removed to Licking County about the same time as did he.

Upon the home farm in Burlington Township the parents of our subject continued to reside until they closed their eyes upon the scenes of earth. The mother died aged sixty-six years, six months, and the father passed away when in his seventy-ninth year. Of their ten children, the eldest died in childhood and five are now living. Elizabeth, who married John Smoots, resides near Grant City, Mo.; Mary Louisa, Mrs. John H. Smith, lives on a farm adjoining that of our subject; Joseph resides in Grant City, Mo.; and John J. resides near Appleton, Licking County.

Upon the farm where he now lives the subject of this sketch was born September 17, 1836. His education was received in the district schools of Burlington Township, and upon entering upon his life work he chose the occupation of a farmer, which he has since followed. On the 4th of January, 1859, he married Mary D. Howell, who was born in Linnville, Licking County, Ohio, July 17, 1838. She is the daughter of William and Emily (McDowell) Howell, natives respectively of Maryland and Bedford County, Pa., and early settlers of Franklin Township, Licking County, where the mother died at the age of thirty-six years. The father died in Muncie, Ind., at an advanced age.

Mrs. Simmons is one of eight children, five sons and three daughters, of whom five are living. John is a mechanic of Red Oak, Iowa. William H. resides in Bennington Township, Licking County. Commodore P. lives in Washington, D. C. Three of the sons were soldiers during the war, serving until the close of the conflict, and David died in Chattanooga, Tenn., after the Rebellion had ended. The only living sister, Mrs. Emily J. Culp, resides at New Salem, Fairfield County, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Simmons are the parents of two children, Leroy L. and William N. The former was born December 4, 1859, and is well educated, having been graduated from the Utica High School. He also attended the University of Michigan until almost completing the course of studies, when he was obliged to resign on account of poor health. Afterward he was graduated from Duff's Commercial College at Pittsburgh. He is considered a mechanical genius, having superior ability in that line. At present he is a bookkeeper in a real-estate office in Columbus. On the 28th of September, 1871, he married Miss Maimie H. Postlewaite, and they have three children. The younger son, William N., who was educated in the high school, is married and has four children.

A portion of the old homestead our subject inherited from his father, and at present he is the owner of one hundred and twenty-five acres of well improved land, upon which are excellent

buildings and the other accessories of a model estate. He has been generous with his sons, giving each $2,000, and still retains in his possession sufficient to provide against poverty in his old age. Reared in the faith of the Democratic party, he still advocates its principles and supports its candidates. With his wife, he holds membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church at Homer. He takes a deep interest in matters pertaining to the welfare of his fellow-citizens, and may always be relied upon to co-operate in progressive movements.

JOSEPH ROGERS, M. D. After having engaged in the practice of medicine and surgery for more than forty years, Dr. Rogers retired from active professional duties, and now, surrounded by the comforts rendered possible by days of toil, he quietly passes the twilight of his life at his home in Utica. He was one of the first physicians to locate in Licking County, having opened an office at Utica in December, 1845. Among the citizens of the county few are better and none more favorably known than he, and it is with pleasure that we invite the reader's attention to the following facts connected with his life history:

In 1770 our subject's grandparents, Thomas and Sarah (Armstrong) Rogers, removed from Kent County, Md., to Washington County, Pa., settling in the village of Burgettstown. There he was born March 15, 1815, and there the first eight years of his life were passed. At that time his parents, Rowland and Mary (Hartshorn) Rogers, with their eight children, removed to a farm adjoining the village, from which it was separated by a small stream of water. Upon that place he was reared, receiving his education in the common schools. After the death of his father, the mother and eight children returned to Burgettstown, in 1834, where he attended a select school, giving his attention to the study of English and Latin grammar, advanced arithmetic and penmanship. Having spent three years and a-half in academic and collegiate education, nearly completing the full literary course, and some time spent in teaching and private study, our subject in the spring of 1840 in Burgettstown commenced the study of medicine under the tutelage of Dr. William Dornan, a celebrated physician. In the fall of 1841 he removed to Steubenville, Ohio, and continued his medical studies under the tuition of Dr. J. S. Scott, a very successful physician and surgeon, who was widely known throughout the state. While there the young student had favorable opportunities for studying anatomy and kindred sciences, having access to all the books, both literary and medical, that he needed, and for two winters having the advantage of two dissecting rooms. Of all of these advantages he availed himself to the utmost.

During the last eighteen months of his stay with his preceptor, our subject was offered an opportunity of engaging in practice, and in that way he acquired considerable practical experience. The fall of 1845 witnessed his arrival in Utica, where for more than two score years he had the oversight of an extensive and lucrative practice. While he never took a regular course of lectures at a medical college, yet his preparation for practice was much more thorough than he could have received in many colleges. The degree of Doctor of Medicine was conferred upon him by the Cincinnati College of Medicine, and also by the medical department of the university at Cleveland. For two consecutive years he officiated as President of the Licking County Medical Society, and his interest in everything pertaining to the science still continues, though he has been retired from the profession for several years.

During the days of slavery the Doctor was a stanch Abolitionist, and from the date of the organization of the Republican party to the present he has always upheld loyally the principles for which this political organization stands. He has held a number of local offices, and at one time was nominated for the State Legislature, but his party being in the minority he suffered defeat with the remainder of the ticket. In religious faith a Pres-

byterian, he has long been prominent in that church and served as a delegate to the general assembly when the old school and the new school branches were united. He has never married; his sister resides with him and looks after the household. Notwithstanding his advanced years, eighty, he is still in reasonably good health and retains unimpaired the full possession of his mental faculties.

JOHN W. BUXTON, M. D. This talented physician of Homer was born in Miller Township, Knox County, Ohio, March 4, 1859. He traces his ancestry to Maryland, where his grandfather, Rev. John Buxton, was born and reared, and whence he removed to Coshocton County in an early period of the history of Ohio. Grandmother Buxton bore the maiden name of Elizabeth Todd. Among their children was Noah W., our subject's father, who was born in East Union, Coshocton County, Ohio, in 1830, and now resides in Mt. Vernon, Ohio, where he follows the occupation of a bridge contractor and builder.

One of our subject's uncles, Rev. John Wesley Buxton, is a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church, now connected with the northern California circuit. Another uncle, Francis A. Buxton, a farmer of Knox County, has a son, Rev. E. O., who is a gentleman of fine attainments, liberal education and wide influence, being at present pastor of a Methodist Episcopal Church located in Cleveland, Ohio; he is now enjoying a tour in Europe. The father of our subject was twice married, his first wife being Lorinda Butler, and by that union two sons were born, James B. and John W. The former is engaged with his father as a contractor; he married Miss Orlinda, daughter of Riley Trout, of Licking County, and they are the parents of three children, Elsie, Noah and Milton. When our subject was two years old his mother died, and afterward his father married for his second wife Miss Candace Buxton, a relative by blood. Three daughters and one son were born of this union. The son, William T., a resident of Mt. Vernon, Ohio, is a traveling salesman by occupation. The daughters are, Olive, wife of W. C. Mills, of Mt. Vernon, a graduate of the Ohio University and formerly engaged in the drug business; Mamie, who married Kelley Miller, a telegraph operator and station agent at Galena, Ohio, and Elizabeth Gertrude, a student in the Mt. Vernon High School, from which she will soon be graduated.

The subject of this sketch acquired his general education in the district schools, which he attended until about nineteen years of age. He then entered the Utica Normal School, where he prosecuted his studies for seven terms. After leaving there he remained at home on his father's farm in Coshocton County for one year. Next he entered the office of Drs. Russell & McMillan at Mt. Vernon as a medical student, remaining under their tutorship two years. For the two succeeding years he was a student in Starling Medical College, graduating from that institution February 28, 1883. During his last year there he continued his studies in the office of Dr. Loving, of Columbus.

Returning to the parental home in Coshocton County, the young doctor remained there six months, and then coming to Homer, entered upon the practice of his chosen profession. Here he has built up a fine practice, this too in the face of strong competition from a physician of twenty years' previous practice in the village. In August of 1893, he was appointed a member of the Licking County Board of Pension Examiners, a distinction which older practitioners might justly envy. He meets with this Board at Newark Wednesday of each week. Politically he is a loyal Democrat, and socially holds connection with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias.

At Utica, July 26, 1882, the Doctor was united in marriage with Miss Emma L. Johnson, daughter of Joseph and Mary Johnson, formerly residents of Knox County, Ohio, but now deceased. They had a family of six sons and five daughters, all of whom still survive, though widely separated. One

daughter, Sarah, now matron of the State Normal of Missouri at Warrensburg, married H. Martin Williams, a prominent editor of that place. A son, Martin Johnson, went to Holden, Mo., a poor boy, and becoming a dentist, by close application to business has amassed a fortune. In religious belief Mrs. Buxton is a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and her two bright and interesting children, Ethel I. and Hugh J., are regular attendants at the Sunday-school. The family is one of the most influential in the place and is prominent in social circles.

RUFUS F. WRIGHT, a successful farmer of St. Alban's Township, is the descendant of honored and patriotic ancestors. His grandfather, Simeon Wright, was a Major in the War of 1812, and his great-grandfather, Robert Wright, served in the defense of the Colonies during the Revolutionary War. While that conflict was in progress, and during a time of great peril, he hid his wife and three of their children(one of whom was Simeon) in a hollow tree to protect them from the Tories and Indians. His other three children he hid under his cabin floor in the cellar.

The Indians discovering the three helpless children hid in the cellar, with the fiendish cruelty characteristic of many tribes of savages, cut their throats, scalped them and then burned the house. The wife and children hid in the hollow tree were not found, and thus their lives were saved. Robert Wright then took a solemn oath that he would kill every Indian he could, and true to his vow he killed twelve of the redskins after the war was over. He attained a great age, dying at Homer, Ohio, when ninety-seven years of age.

Simeon Wright, accompanied by his family, migrated to Licking County, Ohio, in 1819, and settled on Raccoon Creek in St. Alban's Township. When sixty-three years old he was killed by a runaway horse. The father of our subject, Hiram Wright, was born in Rutland, Vt., July 25, 1803, and was sixteen years of age when he accompanied his parents to Licking County. In St. Alban's Township he married Eliza Blood, a native of Boston, Mass., born in January, 1803, who settled in this township in 1821.

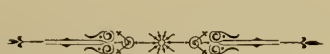
After marriage Hiram Wright settled in Monroe Township, but after his father's death he returned to St. Alban's Township and here continued to reside until the fall of 1870. He then removed to Champaign County, Ill., and settled near Mahomet, where he died August 8, 1889, and his wife April 9, 1890. Their children were, Sarah (deceased), Elizabeth, Mary, Lucien, Rufus F., Robert, Charles (deceased) and Theodore. Rufus F. was born in Monroe Township, near Johnstown, April 7, 1835. When four years old he was brought by his parents to St. Alban's Township, where with the exception of one year he has since resided. Farming has been his sole occupation, and of this he has made a signal success.

In Alexandria, Ohio, March 26, 1857, occurred the marriage of Rufus F. Wright and Miss Harriet Elizabeth Lyman, a daughter of Abner and Betsey (Hubbard) Lyman. Abner Lyman was born in Onondaga County, N. Y., November 1, 1811, and when six years old was taken by his parents to Hardin County, Ky., thence in 1820 removed to Louisville, Ky., and in the fall of 1825 drove an ox team from that city to Licking County, landing in St. Alban's Township with fifty cents and a few bedclothes. For several years he was employed by the month on farms. In 1830 he bought forty acres in St. Alban's Township, where he became a prominent resident. He married Miss Hubbard July 10, 1836, and they had four children, Harriet Elizabeth, Horace C., Sarah F., and Joseph A., who was killed in the battle of Ringgold, Ga. Mr. Lyman died in Alexandria, Ohio, January 24, 1885, at the age of seventy-three. He was one of the pioneer members of the Methodist Church in this locality, becoming identified with it in 1848.

The mother of Mrs. Wright, known in maidenhood as Betsey Hubbard, was born in Rutland, Vt., on the 30th of September, 1815. Her life, however

was principally passed in Licking County, whither she came with her parents at the age of four years. With them she settled in Granville Township, but after several years spent there removed to Lock, Knox County, Ohio, where her wedding was solemnized. She attained an advanced age, passing away in St. Alban's Township December 24, 1883.

Our subject's married life has been spent in St. Alban's Township, with the exception of one and one-half years in Morrow County. He and his wife have three children, namely: Lyman A., who married Mary B. Stimson; Sarah L., wife of L. D. Rogers, M. D.; and Fred J., who married Maggie Levering. With his wife our subject holds membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which he has officiated in various important capacities and the good works of which he assists by generous donations. His farm consists of one hundred and sixty acres and is one of the best in St. Alban's Township, presenting a neat and attractive appearance, which abundantly proves the energetic disposition of the owner.



NATHAN S. DENMAN. The farming lands of Licking County comprise its most valuable property, and the men who devote their energies to the cultivation of the soil occupy no unimportant position among the people. To this class belongs Mr. Denman, a successful agriculturist and progressive citizen of Perry Township, who owns one of the best farms in this locality. A visitor to the homestead will see that good buildings have been erected. Modern machinery has been introduced, the land has been subdivided into pastures and fields of convenient size by good fences, and all the improvements have been introduced that mark a first-class farm.

The name which our subject bears has long been one of prominence in Licking County, the family having made settlement here in 1804. His father, Zenas H., was born in New Jersey August 24, 1791, and on the 7th of December, 1815, was united in marriage with Miss Jane Smith, a native of the Old Dominion, born March 29, 1800. They became the parents of eleven children, of whom five now survive, those besides our subject being, Mathias, a resident of Illinois, now living near the city of Bloomington, who is married and has eight children; Roverta, who married John Arnold, of California, and they have one daughter; Augustine C., Mrs. Freeman, who is the mother of six children and makes her home near Grand Island, Neb.; and Isabel, the wife of L. V. Hoyt, living at Denman's Cross Roads, this county. Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt have had five children, but only two are now living.

Upon the home farm in Perry Township, where he was born March 26, 1838, the subject of this sketch passed the years of boyhood and youth. At the age of twenty-two he traveled to the southwest, where he remained about ten years. During a portion of this period he was engaged as a stock dealer, buying cattle in Texas and driving them into Nebraska, where they were sold. Sometimes in these expeditions, he would go as far north as Dakota. Possessing the requisite push and determination, he met with success in that occupation, but not desiring to devote his life to it, he returned to Ohio and settled on the old homestead, where he has since resided.

January 2, 1876, Mr. Denman was united in marriage with Sarah E., daughter of Thomas and Elmira Shannon, concerning whom mention is made in the sketch of W. W. Shannon, on another page. Mrs. Denman is well educated, and both she and her husband occupy an enviable position in the social circles of this place. Their home is pleasant, and it is their especial enjoyment to throw wide open their doors for the entertainment of their many friends. They have one child, a son, Enyart T., an ambitious and intelligent youth, whose prospects for the future are the brightest. By her first husband, Andrew W. Shaw, Mrs. Denman has a son, James T., who is a clerk and telegraph operator at Elreno, Oklahoma Territory. He married Miss Ella McMurray, of Washington, Pa., and they have one child, Leland Denman Shaw.

In this community Mr. Denman is known as an

impartial counselor and kind friend. He is a gentlemen of liberal views, both religious and political. While not identified with any denomination, he frequently attends the Methodist Protestant Church, to which his wife belongs. On national issues he is a Democrat, but in local affairs occasionally votes with the Republican party.

CHARLES J. KERR. Traveling through Perry Township, the visitor pauses to admire the finely improved farm owned and occupied by Mr. Kerr. The property is in many respects an ideal place. The improvements are first class, including a set of substantial rural buildings, each adapted to its special purpose. The residence stands upon a slight eminence, and its attractive appearance is enhanced by the ornamental trees surrounding it on every hand. A never failing spring furnishes an abundant supply of clear, pure water; in fact, the farm of one hundred and forty-two acres contains all the improvements nature, with lavish hand, can furnish or the imagination of man can suggest.

Mr. Kerr is still comparatively young in years, having been born March 25, 1858. He is a native of Knox County, and a son of Isaac and Elizabeth (Holmes) Kerr, also natives of Ohio. Of the parental family of eight children, five are now living, those besides our subject being, Sarah R., the wife of R. E. Horn, of Gambia, Ohio; Scott B., a resident of Bladensburg, Ohio; Martha M., who married Joseph Farmer and lives at Martinsburg, Ohio; and Will, whose home is in Bladensburg, this state. Upon his father's farm Charles J. Kerr gained in youth a practical knowledge of agriculture. For a few terms he attended the district schools, but with that exception he has gained his education by personal application and self-culture. On the 15th of May, 1880, he was united in marriage with Miss Minerva, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Mercer) Davidson, of Knox County, Ohio. Mrs. Kerr was born and reared in Knox County and by her marriage has become the mother of three children, namely: John Otis, Otto Lee and Arlieu M., who are now (1894) thirteen, eleven and eight years of age respectively. The children are bright and intelligent and are being given excellent educational advantages in the home schools.

While taking an interest in public affairs, Mr. Kerr is not a politician and has never sought or desired office, preferring to devote his attention exclusively to his farming interests. However, he is well informed upon local and national questions of importance and gives his support to the principles of the Democratic party. He and his wife are members of the Disciples' Church, and are earnest, sincere Christians, who enjoy the respect of all their acquaintances. They are generous contributors to religious and charitable projects, and their influence may always be relied upon to support progressive measures.

CHARLES WILKIN. One of the fine farms of Mary Ann Township is situated near the village of Wilkin's Run and is the property of the subject of this sketch. The place consists of two hundred and seventy-two acres, of which about two hundred and fifty have been placed under cultivation. The farm is divided by good fencing into fields of convenient size for the raising of grain and pasturage of stock. Of this latter branch of agriculture Mr. Wilkin makes a specialty and is the owner of a large number of horses, sheep, hogs and cattle.

Upon the farm where he now resides our subject was born January 11, 1825, being the second son of Daniel and Rebecca (Barnes) Wilkin. About 1812 his parents removed from Woodstock, Va., to

Licking County, Ohio, and soon afterward entered from the Government the land now owned by Charles. Both parents were natives of the Old Dominion, the father having been born April 17, 1785, and the mother February 10, 1789. Their family consisted of three sons and four daughters, namely: Sarah Ann, who was born in 1815; Barbara, 1818; Albert, 1820; Mary, 1823; Jane, 1826; Charles, 1828; and Joseph, 1830. Of these only two are now living, Charles and Mary, the latter being the wife of Edward Hickey. The others attained manhood and womanhood, and all except one died in Licking County.

In boyhood Charles Wilkin was a student in the pioneer subscription schools, but his advantages were limited and his education has been acquired mainly by self-culture. In youth he gained a thorough knowledge of agriculture, which he chose as his life occupation. Upon establishing domestic ties, he was united in marriage with Miss Abbie Jane Smith, who was born June 28, 1833, and is a member of a family of eleven children, of whom three brothers and one sister are now living in Ohio and one brother in Missouri. The parents, Adna and Phœbe Ann (Carpenter) Smith, were natives of New York and were members of families long established in the Empire State.

The union of Mr. and Mrs. Wilkin resulted in the birth of six children, of whom four are living. James H., the eldest, died in infancy; Horace is living under the parental roof; Phœbe died at the age of twenty-four; Nelson is at home; Nettie married Milton Wilkin and lives on a farm near that of her father; Emma, the youngest, is a bright and accomplished young lady. The children enjoyed every advantage offered by the schools of modern days and are well educated and refined. Having resided in Licking County through more than sixty changing years, Mr. Wilkin has aided in bringing about the result so nobly achieved in making the wilderness the habitation of the white man. In his chosen vocation he has met with more than ordinary success and is numbered among the prosperous agriculturists of the township. With his family he holds membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church. While affiliating with the Democratic party upon the national issues of the age, in local affairs he votes for principles rather than party and gives his support to the candidates whom he deems best qualified for the office, irrespective of political ties.

ALANSON L. SIMMONS. Among the retired business men who have labored arduously in earlier life, and now in their later years are enjoying the fruits of their labor with a conscience at ease and an active interest in the welfare of the community, we mention the gentleman whose name stands at the head of this record. He resides at Kirkersville, where with his family he enjoys the pleasant home he has so truly earned and richly merited.

The record of Mr. Simmons' life is one of more than usual interest. Born in Muskingum County, Ohio, June 6, 1816, he is the son of William and Martha Simmons, the father a native of Massachusetts, and the mother a descendant of Irish ancestry. At the age of eight years he was kidnapped and bound out until he was twenty-one. He was placed in the family of Amos T. Sweazey, in Fairfield County, Ohio, where he learned the woolen manufacturing business, serving nine years. His "master and mistress" died while he was in this service, which cancelled the contract which made him a bound boy. He never afterward heard from his family except to hear that his mother was dead a year after that event transpired. His father had died when Alanson L. was two years old, and one Monroe was appointed his guardian. Monroe's brother-in-law wanted a boy, and the result was a collusion between Monroe and Sweazey, to the effect as recorded above. Being so young at the time of leaving home, new acquaintances and associations soon estranged him from his mother.

In the spring of 1833 Mr. Simmons went on the Ohio Canal as a driver for one John D. Wormer, continuing three years. His recollection of his em-

ployer is such that he would willingly contribute a monument to his memory if permitted to do so. He personally knew of the employment of President Garfield in the same capacity as himself on the same canal. He was a resident of Licking County in the winters of 1833–45, being employed in keeping a canal horse stable. For seven years he was Captain of a boat, and afterward purchased a boat, which he traded for hotel property in Baltimore, Fairfield County, Ohio. For one year he was proprietor of the hotel, then clerked in the dry-goods business in Baltimore for about three years. Afterward he embarked in the grain, lumber and wool business on his own account in Baltimore, operating this business ten years and meeting with good success. Meantime he also conducted a drug business in Baltimore.

Leaving that village in 1865, our subject went to Toledo, where he engaged in jobbing and retailing in paints, oils, glass, etc. Selling out his interests in that place, he went to Fostoria and bought a stock of goods, remaining there eight months. He then shipped his goods to Baltimore, and sold them out at a serious loss by reason of dissipated partners. In October, 1870, coming to Kirkersville, he built a drug store and established his son in business, which he still continues. He owns some residence property in Toledo, which brings him a good rental. Since coming to Kirkersville he has lived retired and surrounded by all the comforts secured through the years of his active business life.

September 15, 1836, Mr. Simmons married Miss Wealthy Lucky, a name which, if there be any significance in names, was doubtless recognized as a forerunner of success and happiness. Fifty-seven years of the wedded life of this venerable pair have passed, the fiftieth anniversary having been appropriately celebrated. Seven sons and seven daughters were born to them, of whom five are living: Thomas C., Hartsel H., Mary Louisa, Ann C. and Clara O. George and Henry died in young manhood; the others died in infancy or early childhood. Thomas C. married Elva Kiefer and is Superintendent of the state shops in the Ohio Penitentiary. H. H. married Miss Emma, sister of D. C. Winegarner, whose sketch appears herein; he conducts the drug store in Kirkersville. Ann C. is the wife of W. B. Beach, a prosperous mechanic of Bowling Green, Wood County. Clara, residing in Toledo, is the wife of Angus Hosmer, bookkeeper in a railroad office. Two sons, George and Thomas, were soldiers during the late war, and Thomas is pensioned by reason of deafness incurred while supporting a battery in action.

Since the organization of the Republican party Mr. Simmons has identified himself therewith. He cast his first Presidential vote for General Harrison, and voted for the grandson in 1888. He has served in various local positions. For nine years he was Justice of the Peace, and also served as Overseer of the Poor and Fence Viewer. His wife has been connected with the Methodist Episcopal Church since early womanhood, and two daughters also belong to that denomination. As a citizen, he is held in high esteem by his fellow-citizens, and always approves any movement which will enhance the prosperity of the community.

ELI ASHBROOK was identified with the history of Licking County during the period of its early development. So long as the names of the honored pioneers are cherished in the hearts of posterity, so long will he be remembered with gratitude for the part he bore in the early growth of this section of Ohio. He came hither before many of our now venerable citizens were born, and it was his privilege to witness the transformation of the country from an unattractive, unimproved wilderness to the abode of a large and intelligent population.

Mr. Ashbrook was born in Hampshire County, Va., on the 23d of September, 1781. He grew to manhood in the Old Dominion, and at the age of about twenty years, January 5, 1802, was united in marriage with Miss Caty Peters, also of Hampshire County. They continued to reside there for eight years after their marriage, but in the autumn of 1810 he removed with his family to Pickaway

County, Ohio, and after a sojourn of a few months there, went to Fairfield County, the same state, in April, 1811. In that place he continued to reside for twelve years, meantime engaging in agricultural pursuits.

When a young man of twenty-five years, Mr. Ashbrook united with the old school Baptist Church, and afterward, while devoting his attention principally to farm work, never neglected an opportunity to preach the Gospel. In April, 1823, he came to Licking County and settled near Johnstown, where he had purchased fifty acres of unimproved land. One of his first improvements was the erection of a hewed log house, and as time passed by he introduced other valuable additions and accessories to the place. He met with many of the misfortunes and hardships incident to pioneer life, but kept a brave spirit in the midst of adversity.

While not rich in this world's goods, Mr. Ashbrook was rich in the hope of a blessed immortality. He was a firm believer in and expounder of the doctrines of the old school Baptist Church for sixty-eight years. He also served the cause of Christ as an evangelist, traveling in seven different states preaching the Gospel and exhorting the unconverted to accept Christ as their Savior. His wife passed to the better land June 1, 1871, in her eighty-seventh year, and at the advanced age of ninety-five years and four months he followed the companion of his youth to their eternal home, January 24, 1877. They had fourteen children (seven sons and seven daughters), of whom twelve attained years of maturity, married and became the heads of families. Nine of his children were present at his funeral, the eldest being then seventy-four, and the youngest fifty-three years of age.

WILLIAM HENRY KUSSMAUL is the proprietor of the Granville *Times*, a breezy sheet, which enjoys a good circulation, and is published in the interests of the community, especial attention being paid to local affairs. It also reviews ably the public issues of the age, and its advertising columns are well filled, showing that the business men of Granville appreciate it as a medium for communicating with the people. The paper is issued weekly, and has a guaranteed circulation of eight hundred.

Mr. Kussmaul has spent his entire life in Licking County, and was born at Newark June 21, 1860. His parents, Christian and Louisa (Freiner) Kussmaul, natives of Germany, are now residents of Newark. He received an education in that city, where for six years he was a pupil in the German schools, and for a year and a-half conducted his studies in the English public schools. At the age of sixteen he began learning the printer's trade, at which he was employed until 1880.

Coming to Granville in March, 1880, in company with H. A. Church, our subject established the Granville *Times*, the first issue of the paper appearing June 9 of that year, the day Garfield was nominated for President. Three years later Mr. Kussmaul became half owner, with the Rev. C. B. Downs as his partner, and on the 1st of September, 1887, he purchased Mr. Downs' interest, which eight days afterward he sold to F. W. Shepardson. The connection thus formed continued until October 7, 1890, and since then Mr. Kussmaul has been sole proprietor.

In August, 1888, Mr. Kussmaul, in connection with F. W. Shepardson, purchased the book and stationery store, and in 1890 bought his partner's interest. At present he is the proprietor of the only book store in the village. He aided in the organization of the Granville Building & Loan Association, and has been a Director since it was started. He is also a stockholder in the Newark and Granville Electric Street Railway Company, as well as one of its Directors, a stockholder in the Newark Ice and Cold Storage Company, and in the Baltimore Bent Works located at Newark. Socially he holds membership in Centre Star Lodge No. 11, A. F. & A. M.

Mr. Kussmaul has a pleasant home in Granville, presided over by the lady whom he married December 31, 1890. She bore the maiden name of Jennie N. Ransower, and is a daughter of Theophilus Ransower, of Granville. By their large

circle of acquaintances, Mr. and Mrs. Kussmaul are held in high esteem, and belong to the best society of the place. He has made his own way since the age of thirteen, and his success is the result of his industry, enterprise and business sagacity.

WILLIAM BARRICK. With the development of the county, Mr. Barrick has been associated throughout his entire life, covering a period of eighty-two years. Upon the farm in Hanover Township where he now lives, he was born August 10, 1812. He enjoys the distinction of being the oldest surviving resident who was born in Hanover Township, with the exception of T. W. Southard, whose sketch is presented on another page.

The parents of our subject, Philip and Annie (Harvey) Barrick, were natives of Frederick County, Md., and accompanied their respective families to Hampshire County, Va., where they met and married. Moving to Vienna, Ohio, they there resided for two or three years. As early as 1796 they came to Licking County, being thus the earliest settlers of whom this volume gives any record. Their family numbered ten children, only three of whom are now living. Amos, who was born in Vienna about 1795, died in this county. Amelia, who was born in 1798, died in Muskingum County at the age of about eighty. Charles was born in 1801 and passed away when seventy. Catherine and Margaret died in infancy. Rebecca, who was born in 1808, died at eighty-four years of age in Muskingum County. Our subject is the next in order of birth. Matilda Ann, who was born in 1816, is the widow of George Sherman and resides at Macon City, Mo. Eliza, the widow of Rev. Daniel Kinney, a Methodist minister, resides at Lincoln, Neb. Philip H., the youngest of the family, died in his twentieth year.

Upon what was then the western frontier, our subject attained a sturdy, robust manhood, enduring many hardships and privations which would discourage the young people of the present generation. He attended the subscription schools, and states that the "master" usually earned his pay, for the pioneer boys were hard to manage. The typical birch came into requisition on the least provocation. He remembers Newark when it contained but two dry-goods stores, kept by K. & Reese Darlington and a Mr. Buckingham respectively. He well remembers the old log jail and the building of three court houses in Newark.

In Muskingum County Mr. Barrick married Miss Ann, daughter of Jacob and Mary Rhoades. Her father erected a flouring mill on what is now known as the Claypool farm, and there the marriage ceremony was solemnized. Nine children resulted from the union, only two of whom are living, viz.: Charles M. and Angelia Sperry. The former is married and lives in Earlville, Ohio, where he is a prosperous farmer. The latter is the wife of A. J. Sperry, of Hunt, Knox County, also a well-to-do agriculturist. One child died in infancy, two sons at the ages of six and nine years respectively, a daughter, Annie M., at fifteen, and Oran S. died of small pox the day he was twenty-three years old. Salem R. married and died when about thirty. William Homer, a speculator in stock, died in Missouri a few years ago. Mrs. Ann Barrick died in September, 1880.

On the 17th of May, 1882, Mr. Barrick married Mrs. Nettie A. (Osborn) Rehnick, a native of Muskingum County, this state. Her parents, Thomas and Amelia (Mossman) Osborn, were born in Virginia and Muskingum County, Ohio, respectively, the former coming to this state when nine years old. Ten children were born to them, six of whom are now living. Howard E. has been a resident of Chicago for many years and is a baggage master on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. Fannie, Mrs. Cuttaback, lives in Michigan, her husband being Recorder of Wexford County. Orpha married Frank Johnson, a cabinet maker of Columbus, Ohio. Alice A. is an employe in the Imbecile Asylum at Columbus. Kate S., the wife of D. W. Rathbun, a mechanic, lives in Newark. The eldest of the family, a sister, died in infancy. Another sister, Mrs. Ed-

wards, died in Muskingum County, leaving two daughters and one son. Alberta, Mrs. Archibald McDonald, died in Muskingum County, leaving four children. From the earliest recollections of Mrs. Barrick her father kept a hotel at Dresden, Muskingum County, and he continued thus engaged until his death, in 1890. The mother died in 1864.

Socially Mr. Barrick is a non-affiliated Mason, but is still firm in the faith. For about thirty-five years he has been prominently associated with the Methodist Episcopal Church, though not in membership. Though once very wealthy, he has met with reverses in business and is reduced to very small possessions. His financial misfortunes were largely brought about by his confiding and liberal nature. Many thousands were paid as security for other people's debts, and the depreciation in value of his extensive landed possessions did the rest. He served for many years as Justice of the Peace and is known by no other name than that of "'Squire" Barrick. He also served one term as Commissioner of Licking County. In early days a Whig, he later became a Republican and has since supported the principles of that party.

JOHN MITCHELL. Few citizens of Licking County are unfamiliar with the name of this influential resident of Hartford Township, who although somewhat retired from active agricultural duties, still superintends the management of his property. In addition to the raising of cereals he has for twenty years or more made a specialty of the breeding of thoroughbred horses, a number of which he has sold at high prices, one yearling colt bringing $500 in 1893. With the growing of grain he has always combined the raising of stock, and in both lines of work has met with great success.

A life-long resident of Licking County, our subject was born in Burlington Township, June 17, 1817, being the son of William and Mary (Dripps) Mitchell. His father was born in Pennsylvania, where his parents lived for many years prior to his birth. In Greene County, that state, he married Miss Dripps, a native of Ireland, who accompanied her parents to the United States, settling in the Keystone State at the age of fourteen years. Early in the present century they came to Licking County, Ohio, where their remaining years were spent. They had seven children, as follows: Hannah, who married William Perkins and died in this county; Nancy, Mrs. William Reese, who remained in this county until her death; Elizabeth, wife of Daniel Smith, both of whom resided in this county until death; Isabel, widow of John Baker and a resident of Hartford; John, of this sketch; William, a miner and speculator residing in Colorado, and Isaac, a farmer in Nebraska.

In the subscription schools of earlier years, Mr. Mitchell was a student whenever opportunity was allowed. Becoming in youth thoroughly familiar with every detail of farm life, he naturally chose agriculture when selecting a life occupation. In Knox County September 16, 1841, he was united in marriage with Miss Maria Wilson, a native of Muskingum County, born May 22, 1819, her parents having been pioneers of the last-named county. On the 16th of September, 1891, this venerable couple celebrated their golden wedding, when after fifty years of married life they were the recipients of congratulations from hosts of warm personal friends. During this long period they have shared with each other the prosperity and adversity incident to life, by mutual sympathy doubling their joys and dividing their sorrows. They are both in the enjoyment of excellent health, considering their ages and the hard work they have performed.

Seven sons and one daughter were born to Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, all of whom are living but the eldest, William, who married Ellen Gillespie and died in 1877, aged thirty-four years. Frank married Miss Alice, daughter of Edwin Buell, a prominent farmer and early settler of Hartford Township; he is engaged in agricultural pursuits in Lancaster County, Neb.; Newton is unmarried and resides with his parents; John Jerome chose as his wife Miss Jennie Steele, and is a resident of Lancaster County, Neb.; Ezra Oscar, who was born May 22, 1853, married Mary Tedrick, a native of

this county and three years her husband's junior; they have one son, Grover, now (1894) nine years old; Ezra tills the home farm and lives on the place; Isaac Hayes married Miss Maggie McFarland in Kansas, where he now lives; Eber, who has never married, is engaged in the fruit business in California; he was educated at Delaware and Lebanon, Ohio, and for several years engaged in teaching school.

The only daughter, Sarah, is an intelligent and accomplished lady, with whom filial affection is stronger than other attachments. Her parents are her especial charge, and their happiness and comfort are paramount to all other considerations. Possessed of some property on her own account, she contents herself with her home duties and with an oversight of her monetary interests. Four of the sons are Democrats and three Republican, Ezra being a member of the former party, in which he is prominent in local affairs. Socially, he is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, belonging to the lodge at Johnstown.

Thirty-six years ago Mr. Mitchell purchased the farm upon which he now lives and removed his family from Bennington Township to this place. The estate comprised two hundred and nine acres of partly improved land, but with the assistance of his sons he soon had the place under a good state of cultivation, and after a time added twenty-five acres, thus enlarging its boundaries. In his early political life he was a Whig, and joined the Republican party on its organization, which he followed until the war had progressed about two years. He then allied himself with the Democratic party, and has since been a firm advocate of its principles.

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HON. CHARLES FOLLETT. The Bench and the Bar have many able representatives in Ohio, men who stand high in their professions because of deep study of the best authorities on legal lore, and men whose native ability is of a superior order; men also who combine the two so that their native gifts are enhanced in value by extended study and research. Of these various gentlemen of various attainments none stand higher than the subject of this sketch. His record is that of an impartial and learned judge, and during his long and honorable career he has gained the confidence of the people to an extent seldom surpassed.

Born in Franklin County, Vt., December 14, 1820, Charles Follett was a youth of sixteen years when he came to Licking County with his parents, John F. and Sarah (Woodworth) Follett, settling near Johnstown. At the age of nineteen he commenced to teach school, but meantime continued his studies and recited Latin under a private tutor. In April of 1842 occurred his marriage, which united him with Miss Mary D., daughter of Rev. Davis Lewis, of Johnstown. This gentleman being an itinerant preacher was away from home much of the time and therefore gave the management of his farm into the hands of our subject.

Ambitious from childhood to become a well informed man, Mr. Follett had always cherished a preference for the legal profession and longed to make its practice his life work. For some time circumstances did not favor his plans, but while engaged in farming he borrowed some law books from his friends, George M. Conrad and Samuel White, of Newark, and commenced his legal studies alone. Two years after his marriage he purchased a small property in the village of Johnstown. In carrying out his plans, he received the efficient co-operation of his devoted wife, who, being a milliner by trade, assisted him by her industry as well as her economy, thus enabling him to pursue his reading.

Admitted to the Bar October 27, 1845, the young lawyer, dissatisfied with the knowledge hitherto acquired, still continued his studies. In the spring of 1847 he was commissioned Postmaster at Johnstown, and in October of the ensuing year was chosen Prosecuting Attorney for Licking County. In the latter office his services were so satisfactory to the people that he was re-elected in 1850. Resigning the office two years

later, he became a candidate for the Ohio State Senate, representing the counties of Licking and Delaware. During his service of two years in that capacity he displayed the possession of unusual ability, and by his honorable record justified the choice of his constituents.

Resuming professional studies at the expiration of his term of office, Hon. Mr. Follett settled in Newark, and in 1859 formed a partnership with his brother, John F. Follett, which continued until the latter removed to Cincinnati in 1868. In 1864 he was nominated by the Democratic party as its candidate for Congress to represent the Thirteenth Congressional District, composed of the counties of Muskingum, Licking, Knox and Coshocton. It was the opinion of his friends that he was duly elected to this position by a majority of twelve hundred and twenty-two votes over his opponent, Columbus Delano, but subsequently he was counted out upon returns of votes said to have been cast by soldiers in different states and territories and the hospitals of the Federal army.

January 26, 1866, on motion of Hon. Henry Stanberry, Attorney-General of the United States, in the Supreme Court of the nation at Washington, D. C., Hon. Charles Follett was duly admitted, qualified and commissioned as an attorney and counselor of said court. In political views, as may be gleaned from the above paragraphs, he has always been a stanch Democrat, ranking among the foremost men of the party in the state. In October, 1870, he was elected to fill a vacancy in the Court of Common Pleas for the Sixth Judicial District of Ohio, and his service in that capacity was so satisfactory that he was again elected in the following year. In 1884 he was chosen Judge of the Circuit Court and is now serving his second term in that capacity, a position for which his versatile talents admirably adapt him.

Judge and Mrs. Follett have been the parents of two sons and four daughters, of whom one son died in infancy. Those now living are, Helen C., Henrietta C., Harriet F., Charles H. and Ida M. In his religious views the Judge is a believer in the truth of the Scriptures and the teaching of the Son of God, "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." Though now somewhat advanced in years, he retains the mental and physical activity of life's prime, and the future years will undoubtedly bring to him, from his fellow-citizens, enlarged opportunities for usefulness as well as added honors in public affairs.

FOSTER M. JONES. No class has contributed more largely to the development of Licking County than the capable, industrious farmers, with whose success the prosperity of every business and profession is so closely interwoven. As one of the number whose efforts have enhanced the value of farming property and promoted the interests of the people, we present the name of Foster M. Jones, the well known agriculturist of St. Alban's Township.

The Jones family originated in North Wales, where our subject's father, the late David D. Jones, was born in December, 1808. Early in life he emigrated to America, and proceeding to Ohio, settled in Licking County. There he met and married Miss Eliza Foster, a native of Staffordshire, England, born June 24, 1825, who accompanied her parents to America at the age of nine years. After their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Jones settled in Granville Township, where they spent several years. In the spring of 1860 they removed to Liberty Township and settled near the village of Johnstown.

After many years spent in farming pursuits David D. Jones retired, having accumulated a competence, and settled in Johnstown, where his death occurred in October, 1889, at the age of eighty years. His wife is still living in Johnstown. They were the parents of six children, of whom four attained years of maturity, namely: Alice, Mrs. Morris Glynn, who died in Liberty Township, Licking County, leaving her husband and one child to mourn her death; Foster M.; Charles B., who died when about thirty years old, and Philip T.

The subject of this sketch was born in Granville

Township February 16, 1858, and was two years old when his parents removed to Liberty Township. There he was reared to manhood, receiving a common-school education in the home district. Establishing domestic ties February 16, 1881, he was united in marriage in Liberty Township with Miss Ida A. Price, who was born in Liberty Township January 29, 1859. She is the daughter of Josiah W. and Hannah M. (Davis) Price, the latter of whom died in Liberty Township. Mrs. Jones is one of four children, namely: Isaiah M., George W., Ida A. and Bertha M. By her marriage she has become the mother of four children, Nettie Grace, Alice H. and Inez E., Homer Price.

After his marriage Mr. Jones settled upon the farm where he now lives. This consists of one hundred and seventy acres, well improved and placed under good cultivation. The buildings are substantial in appearance and convenient in arrangement, and are excellently adapted to their varied uses. Mr. Jones is a man who takes an active interest in everything calculated to benefit his fellow-men, and is especially interested in religious affairs. With his wife and eldest daughter he holds membership in the Baptist Church. His life has been such as to commend him to the confidence of the people, and he is recognized as one of the industrious and efficient agriculturists of the township.

WILLIAM B. VANCE, who is engaged in the livery business at Utica, was born in Washington Township, Licking County, May 16, 1856. He is a descendant of good old Revolutionary ancestry, his great-grandfather, Albion Vance, having been one of the heroes of the Revolutionary War. For some time this old patriot resided in Virginia, but removed thence to Portsmouth, Ky., where he died. In the Old Dominion Grandfather Jacob Vance was born, and thence in 1819, when a lad of fourteen years, he and his brother came to Ohio, some time later settling in Washington Township, Licking County. At an advanced age he removed to St. Louisville, where he departed this live in 1889. His wife, Rachael, was a native of Pennsylvania and died many years previous to his demise. Their children were five in number, Hiram, deceased; Malinda, who was twice married and died in Gambier, Knox County; Josiah and Uriah and Eliza, deceased.

The father of our subject, Uriah H. Vance, was born in Washington Township June 29, 1824, and was reared to manhood upon a farm, remaining at home until the time of his marriage. That important event occurred in 1846, at which time he was united with Miss Catherine, daughter of Alexander Wilson, and a native of Pennsylvania, born October 20, 1830. Four children resulted from the union, Albert, Lucy, William B. and Jane. After his marriage the father engaged in farming in Newton Township, and afterward for ten years dealt in grain at St. Louisville. Thence he removed to Utica, where he carried on a hotel and livery business for many years. He also dealt extensively in horses, meeting with fair success in that enterprise. Upon disposing of his interests in the village he settled upon his present farm, which he had purchased in 1859. Politically he is a firm friend of the Democratic party.

Upon the home farm in Washington Township our subject was reared to manhood. In 1869 he accompanied the family to Utica, and ten years later became a partner in the livery business, of which he became sole proprietor August 21, 1881. As a business man he is shrewd, energetic, quick to discern an opportunity and equally quick to seize it. Success has come to him as the reward of his painstaking, persevering efforts. In addition to the livery stable, he owns some good farming land and a neat residence in Utica. Like his father he is a Democrat in politics. He has been a member of the City Council and School Board, and in every position has rendered efficient service in behalf of his fellow-citizens.

On the 8th of June, 1878, Mr. Vance was united in marriage with Miss Alice C., daughter of Stephen and Louise (Thornberry) Huffman, and a native of Beallsville, Monroe County, Ohio, born August 26, 1861. Three children bless the union,

George Huffman, born April 12, 1880; John Earl, born September 5, 1882; and Catherine Louise, born August 8, 1891. Mr. and Mrs. Vance are members of the Presbyterian Church. In his social affiliations Mr. Vance is prominently connected with the Masonic fraternity, being a member of Licking Lodge No. 291, A. F. & A. M., in which he has filled both the Wardens' chairs. He is also a member of Utica Lodge No. 555, K. P.

ROBERT S. FULTON, Postmaster, merchant and proprietor of the hotel at Homer, is a native of Burlington Township, Licking County, born December 21, 1843. His parents, Robert and Elizabeth (Crowe) Fulton, were natives respectively of Westmoreland County, Pa., and Virginia, and were married in Licking County, where the father engaged in the occupation of a farmer. The mother died when our subject was a child of four years. Our subject is the next to the youngest among seven children, two of whom died in infancy.

Of the surviving members of the family Henry is the eldest. He is a minister, and for two years filled the pulpit of the Second Presbyterian Church at Newark; at present he resides in Nelsonville, Ohio. Nancy, the wife of George L. Hendren, lives in Groveport, Franklin County, Ohio. Rebecca married John D. Ross and is a resident of Gahanna, Franklin County, Ohio. William P., of Akron, Ohio, is a bookkeeper in the railroad auditor's office.

The subject of this sketch was educated in the public schools of Granville. At the age of eighteen, in 1862, he enlisted in the Union army, becoming a member of Company D, One Hundred and Thirteenth Ohio Infantry. He served until the close of the Rebellion, meantime participating in many engagements of greater or lesser note, among which may be enumerated Chickamauga, Missionary Ridge, Resaca, Kenesaw Mountain, Jonesboro, Bentonville, the siege of Atlanta and the famous march to the sea under General Sherman. With his command he marched through the Carolinas to Richmond, and thence to Washington, D. C., where he took part in the Grand Review of Sherman's victorious army. On the 6th of July, 1865, he was honorably discharged at Louisville, Ky.

Upon his return from the army, Mr. Fulton embarked in the mercantile business, in which he is still engaged, the firm of Fulton & Sigler operating a general store. He is also Postmaster at Homer, serving his second appointment under President Cleveland. For about fifteen years he has been Justice of the Peace. In his social connections he is a member of Licking Lodge No. 291, A. F. & A. M., and the T. & J. Dill Post No. 463, G. A. R. He is also identified with the Knights of Pythias, and is a gentleman prominent in the social as well as the business walks of life.

In 1876 Mr. Fulton was united in marriage with Miss Emma Squires, a native of Knox County, and a daughter of Oliver and Mary A. Squires, prominent old settlers of Knox County, where they still reside. The political views of Mr. Fulton bring him into affiliation with the Democratic party, of which he is one of the leaders in Homer. Reared in the Presbyterian faith, he is not at present connected with any denomination, and is inclined to be liberal in religious matters. In business he has been successful, his long experience as a merchant having placed him at the head. As "mine host" of the principal hotel in Homer, he is popular with the traveling public. It has been his aim to enhance the prosperity of Homer in every way possible, and the village has no citizen more progressive and energetic than he.

GEORGE H. HUNTER, the principal stone cutter and mason in the vicinity of Utica, resides in Washington Township, where he owns and occupies a small and well improved farm. He is a native of the Buckeye State, hav-

ing been born in Knox County, February 9, 1843. His father, John Hunter, who was born and reared in Bristol, England, there learned the trade of a stone cutter, which he followed in Ohio after emigrating to this country. Such was his recognized skill in his occupation that he was awarded the contract for building the theological seminary at Gambier, which unfortunately resulted in a large financial loss to him.

February 6, 1834, John Hunter was united in marriage with Elizabeth Tym, a native of Manchester, England. Her mother died in that country and her father afterward married again. Her brothers and sisters were, Charles, Samuel, Sarah and Martha. After his marriage John Hunter pursued his trade in Licking County, where he passed away in February, 1865. His widow survived him for some time. Her death occurred in Ashland, Ohio. Their children were seven in number, viz.: Charles W.; Mary E., who married James Hughes; Sarah, wife of C. M. Wilson; George H., of this sketch; James F.; Matilda, wife of James Thompson; and Cary B.

The boyhood days of our subject were passed in Knox and Licking Counties, this state, and early in life he learned the trade that he has since successfully followed. At St. Louisville, Licking County, in 1874, occurred his marriage to Alcinda, daughter of Eli and Melissa C. Hampshire, and a native of Morgan County, Ohio, born May 4, 1853. Shortly after his marriage Mr. Hunter settled in Washington Township, where he has an attractive rural abode. Unto his union there have been born six children, bright and intelligent sons and daughters, of whom their parents are justly proud. They are, Clara B., who was born October 12, 1875; Charles D., April 29, 1877; Carrie Mamie, March 21, 1880; Virta Ivon, Christmas Day of 1882; Amzie Tym, September 7, 1886; and John Prichard, July 5, 1888.

The father of Mrs. Hunter was Eli, son of Henry Hampshire and a native of Morgan County, Ohio, born March 13, 1827. On the 27th of July, 1852, he was united in marriage with Miss Melissa C. Barton, whose birth occurred in Morgan County March 24, 1837. After marriage he settled in Licking County, where his wife died November 6, 1873. He now makes his home with Mrs. Wolf. He and his wife were the parents of the following children: Alcinda, wife of our subject; Franklin; Job, deceased; Henry, Eli, Davis, William, John and Laurena, the latter now Mrs. Wolf.

In 1861 George H. Hunter enlisted in Company D, Seventy-sixth Ohio Infantry, serving for three years and one month, and was wounded at Arkansas Post. At the age of fifteen he joined the old school Baptist Church, of which he has since been a consistent and active member. In matters pertaining to local interests he is always deeply interested, and gives his warm and hearty co-operation to all progressive projects having in view the welfare of the people. While not actively partisan in his preference, he is a loyal champion of Republican principles and advocates the measures of that party. The poor and needy have in him a friend, and benevolent projects receive his sympathy and support.

PARMILEE COTHREAL ALLEN, M. D. To this gentleman belongs the distinction of being, in point of years of practice, the oldest physician in Licking County. In 1845, fifty years ago, he settled in Hartford, where for more than a score of years he carried on a good practice. Thence, in 1867, he came to Utica, where he soon gained a foremost position as a representative of the medical fraternity. Though on account of advancing age he no longer responds to calls, he still conducts an office practice and maintains his reputation as a skilled and successful practitioner.

Born in the town of Lester, Livingston County, N. Y., May 20, 1819, our subject is the son of Truman and Mary (Rutherford) Allen. He is a member of a family noted for its loyalty to our Government. His grandfather, Parmilee Allen, and five brothers served in the Colonial army during the Revolutionary War. One member of the fam-

ily was a soldier in the British army, and after the war ended his brothers forced him to leave the United States and change his name. He went to Nova Scotia, and afterward spelled his name Allyng.

The father of our subject was born in Connecticut, grew to manhood upon a farm, and in early manhood removed to Pawlet, Vt., whence in 1811 he went to Livingston County, N. Y., becoming one of the very first settlers in Lester Township. Being a civil engineer and surveyor, he assisted in surveying the Western Reserve in Ohio, and was similarly employed in other places. His death occurred at the age of eighty-eight. His wife, who was born in the North of Ireland, died at the age of three score and ten years.

In the family of Truman Allen there were six children, of whom five attained mature years. Electa, who married Henry Blanchard, died in Oakland County, Mich., at the age of seventy-one; Johnson W., a physician by profession, died in Elkhart, Ind., aged seventy-one; William R., a farmer, died in Livingston County, N. Y., when sixty-three; Salinda, who married Alonzo Hart, resides in Michigan. The next to the youngest in the family is Parmilee C., who received an academic education at Warsaw and Geneva, N. Y. Afterward he read medicine under the tutelage of Dr. Daniel Bissel, of Geneseo, N. Y.

Coming to Ohio in 1841, our subject for three years read medicine with his brother at Fredericktown, Knox County. In 1845 he was graduated from the medical college at Geneva, N. Y., after which he at once opened an office at Hartford. As a physician he is skilled in the diagnosis of difficult cases and equally fortunate and successful in their treatment. During the late war he enlisted in the United States service in 1864, becoming assistant surgeon in Hospital No. 8, at Louisville, Ky., after which he was surgeon of the Twentieth Ohio Battery. Later he was in the hospital at Chattanooga until September, 1865, when he was discharged.

In 1847, Dr. Allen married Elizabeth, daughter of Richard and Anna (Johnson) Allen, and a native of Washington County, N. Y. They have had one daughter, Mary Ann, who married and died in 1884, leaving a daughter, Georgia A., now making her home with her grandfather. Politically, the Doctor is loyal in his allegiance to the Republican party, but has never sought nor desired public office, preferring to devote his attention exclusively to professional duties.

WILLIAM M. MOORE. Located in Union Township lies one of the fertile farms of Licking County. This consists of one hundred and eighty-three acres of excellent land, upon which there are splendid improvements. The residence is a model rural home, built of brick, two stories in height and constructed according to modern ideas of architecture. Here also may be found all the buildings necessary for the storage of grain and shelter of stock and farming implements.

Upon this attractive homestead resides William M. Moore, now somewhat retired from active farming, but still interested in everything pertaining to agriculture. He was born in Union Township, August 25, 1827, and is the son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Thompson) Moore, natives of Adams County, Pa., who came to Licking County, Ohio, in 1812. Settling in Newark, the father there engaged in business as a hatter, which trade he had learned previous to his removal to Ohio. After some years thus engaged, he retired to a farm near Luray, and later settled upon the farm now owned by our subject. Here he died when William M. was about twenty-one; his widow continued to make her home with our subject until about eighty-four years old, when she died, and her body was buried beside that of her husband in the family lot in the Kirkersville Cemetery.

The youngest of five children, our subject was

also the only son in the family. His eldest sister, Eliza, married David Bounds, and died after three years of wedded life, at the age of twenty-two years; Esther and Honor were twins. The former, who first married a Mr. Deselim, after his decease became the wife of James Wells, now deceased, having one child by her first union, and five by her second marriage; she now lives in Hebron, this township; Honor, who married Lewis Rhoads, survived all of her four children and passed from earth some years ago; Mary Jane, the wife of Isaac T. Twiss, a retired farmer of Maquoketa, Iowa, has two children.

Attaining manhood upon the home farm, our subject was in 1854 united in marriage with Miss Sarah M. Hewitt, who was born in Washington, Pa., in September, 1838. She was educated in this state, her parents having settled in Licking County when she was a child. Only one child was born to this union, John Franklin, whose birth occurred March 28, 1855. He was educated in the district schools and at Utica Normal, and now cultivates the home place. He married Miss Eliza, daughter of James Taylor (see sketch on another page) and they have two children, Fred Darlington and Estella. Mr. Moore had the great misfortune to lose his devoted wife by death June 14, 1892, since which time he has lived with his son's family.

In support of Republican principles Mr. Moore has always been active and earnest, but has never sought political office. His religious home is in the Presbyterian Church, of which his parents were also members. His wife was identified with the Baptist Church. Throughout his entire life he has been an active worker, and now, as he approaches the twilight of life, he can enjoy the fruits of years of toil and surround himself with all the comforts that enhance our happiness.

The only brother of Mrs. Moore, Henry L. Hewitt, was a soldier from the beginning of the Civil War until its close, enlisting as a private in General Grant's Illinois regiment, and receiving successive promotions until he was honorably discharged with the rank of Captain. He was born and reared in Licking County, but now makes his home in Missouri, where he is engaged in farming. Mrs. Moore had three sisters, two of whom are living, Elizabeth, Mrs. Atwood, living in Marshall, Ill., and Mrs. Keziah Shock, whose home is in Newark.

BERNIE COLEMAN, M. D. Numbered among the most successful and skilled physicians of Licking County stands the name of Dr. Coleman, of Homer. He is a native of Ohio, having been born in Democracy, Knox County, August 6, 1840, to the union of Ichabod and Barbara (McDermott) Coleman. His father, a native of Pennsylvania, was a mechanic by occupation, although during the latter part of his life he engaged in farming. On the 1st of January, 1826, in Knox County, Ohio, he was united in marriage with Miss McDermott, a native of Ireland, and nine children resulted from their union.

Of this family we note the following: Elizabeth, now Mrs. Merron, resides in Illinois; Amanda married John A. Beers and lives in Knox County, Ohio; Ellen M., wife of A. L. Beers, lives in Fredericktown, Ohio; Addison died in 1881, when about forty-seven years old; Grandison died in early youth; our subject is the next in order of birth; Daniel is a physician of Howard, Knox County, Ohio; Levingston died in infancy; and D'Albert is engaged in the insurance business in Decatur, Ill. The parents of this family died in Knox County, the mother of typhoid fever in 1852, and the father July 1, 1880.

The early life of our subject was spent on his father's farm. At the age of fourteen years he went away to school, entering the Union school at Fredericktown, Knox County, where he remained several years, and finished the course of the high school. Later he engaged in teaching for two years, and during the last year spent as a teacher also studied medicine. In 1860 he entered the office of Drs. Russell & Thompson, of Mt. Vernon, Ohio, with whom he remained for eighteen months. He then entered the medical department of the University of Michigan, where he took a course of lectures. Returning to the office of his tutors, he remained six months, and then entered the Uni-

versity of New York City, located on Fourteenth Street, graduating from that institution in March, 1863. A diploma from this institution entitled the holder to recognition as a physician in Europe. He also attended lectures at Bellvue Hospital, New York City.

After graduating, the young Doctor returned to the office of his former instructor, with whom he remained five months, meantime continuing his readings. In August, 1863, he came to Homer and entered upon the practice of his profession, which he has since followed at this place. November 1, 1863, he married Miss Hannah M. Young, a native of Knox County, Ohio, and a daughter of Eli and Amelia Young. Mrs. Coleman was educated in Knox County, and continued a well defined course of study for several years after her marriage. Her parents are of English descent.

The Doctor belongs to the Knox County Medical Association, and was also identified with the Licking Valley Medical Association until it was disbanded. In political views he is a Republican. He comes of a very healthy family, noted for vigorous constitutions. His father was never seriously ill until his death sickness terminated fatally a week after he was taken ill. Dr. Coleman practiced twenty years, and in all that time there was not a day that he was unable to attend to his patients. A serious accident resulting in an injury to his back was the cause of this record being broken, or he would have finished a record of thirty years' practice without losing a day. His skill in the diagnosis of difficult cases is equalled only by his success in their treatment, and he has the confidence of all who know him.

ORRIN W. BELL. This prosperous agriculturist of Licking County was born March 16, 1836, upon the old homestead farm in Washington Township, near where he now resides. He is a member of one of the pioneer families of Ohio, his grandfather, James Bell, having come to this state from Pennsylvania in 1815, and made settlement in Morgan Township, Knox County. Samuel Bell, our subject's father, was born in Greene County, Pa., December 10, 1800, and was a youth of fifteen years when he accompanied the family to the Buckeye State. He married Elizabeth Hanger, and settling in Licking County, became the owner of a farm in Washington Township. Here Mrs. Bell died April 12, 1854, aged fifty-three years. ten months and twenty-three days.

Twelve children were born to the parents of our subject, ten of whom attained manhood and womanhood. They are: Nancy, who married Benjamin Hays and died in Licking County; Elizabeth, Mrs. David Hull, who passed away in Licking County in 1893; Jacob H., whose death occurred in this county in 1857; William, Jr., a sketch of whom is presented on another page; Julia A., wife of Allen Hickey, who resides in Des Moines, Iowa; Rachel, who is the wife of Samuel R. Allison and resides in Delaware County, Iowa; Orrin W.; Lee A., of Knox County, Ohio; David P., who died in December, 1892; and Lettie A., who married L. H. Bell and lives in Cumberland County, Tenn.

After the death of his first wife, Samuel Bell was a second time married, Nancy Simmons becoming his wife. She died November 10, 1891, aged eighty-four years. Mr. Bell survived her about two years, departing this life October 23, 1893. In his political views he affiliated with the Democratic party. In the Christian Church he was an active member, and for forty years officiated as Deacon. He was a man of great industry and perseverance, and being ambitious to acquire a competence, he overworked to such an extent that his health was seriously injured at the age of thirty-three. It was twelve years before he regained his health, but after that he was a strong and vigorous man.

The boyhood years of our subject were uneventfully passed in Washington Township, alternating attendance at the common schools with work on the home farm. In 1857 he married Miss Sarah Jewell, who was born in Licking County November 4, 1837. She is a daughter of Matthew H. and Mary (Miller) Jewell, the former a native of

New Jersey, born April 17, 1809. In 1829 he came to Ohio and worked at the trade of a mason and bricklayer. After his marriage he resided in Morgan Township, Knox County, for six years, and then removed to Licking County, settling in Washington Township, where he engaged in farming until advanced in years. He then removed to Utica, where he died September 9, 1879; his widow still survives.

The farm owned and operated by Mr. Bell is one of the best in the township, and contains all the improvements and accessories of a modern estate. As an agriculturist he is energetic and efficient, possessing a sagacious mind and keen judgment. He and his wife have had two children, but have been deeply bereaved by the death of both. Warren was called hence when two years and six months old. Laura, a bright and accomplished girl, attained the age of eighteen years and ten days, and then passed away. In religious belief, Mr. Bell is identified with the Christian Church, and is at present filling the office of Deacon. Politically he is a Democrat, but not partisan in his preferences.

HON. SAMUEL L. BLUE. Few citizens of Licking County are more widely known than the honored gentleman whose name appears above and who, though now temporarily residing in Columbus, was for many years inseparably associated with the business and political history of Homer. He was born in Romney, Hampshire County, Va. (now W. Va.), March 15, 1838, and is the son of Richard and Lucinda (Larimore) Blue, also natives of Hampshire County. His mother died in April, 1893, aged seventy-seven years; his father, who was born March 4, 1808, now makes his home with a daughter, Mrs. Wagner, in Burlington Township, and notwithstanding his seven and eighty years, enjoys excellent health.

It was in 1850 that Richard Blue came to Ohio from the Old Dominion, and here he engaged in farming until about 1874, when, selling his estate, he removed to the village of Homer and there resided until his wife's death. He was of Scotch lineage, while his wife was of Irish descent, though remote on both sides. They were the parents of eight children, of whom six are now living. Robert William died at the age of nineteen; James J. is a hotel keeper at Clay Centre, Kan.; our subject is the next in order of birth; Hannah C. became the wife of Evan Leggett, a contractor and builder living in Denver, Colo.; Isaac P. is engaged in farming in Clay County, Kan.; John, who resides in Homer, is a painter by occupation; Susan E. died at sixteen years of age; Ella, wife of Harris Wagner, resides in Burlington Township.

The education gained in the common schools our subject has supplemented by careful reading and observation until he is a man exceptionally well informed on current topics, and especially on political subjects. In the advocacy of his views he has always been active and earnest, and is a recognized leader of the Democratic party in Licking County. While a resident of Burlington Township he held the office of Township Clerk three years, was Township Treasurer ten and one-half years, and also served as President of the Homer School Board for nine years.

A still higher honor was conferred upon Mr. Blue when, in 1887, he was elected a member of the House of Representatives of Ohio by the Democratic party, and two years later he succeeded himself, after which he voluntarily retired. During his legislative work he served on various committees, and in the Sixty-eighth Assembly was a member of the Committees on Claims, Revision and Working Home of the Blind. In the Sixty-ninth Assembly he was Chairman of the Committee on County Affairs, a very important and responsible position, and also served on the Military Committee and the Committee on Medical Colleges and Societies.

At the time of his election to the Legislature Mr. Blue was a merchant in Homer, having opened a store in that place in 1865. He continued the business during both terms of the Legislature, closing it out afterward. Prior to engaging as a merchant he was a farmer and came to Homer soon

after his marriage. This important event occurred October 31, 1862, the lady being Miss Sarah E. Smith, a cultured woman, who received a good education in the schools of Homer. She is a daughter of Daniel A. Smith, a soldier in the War of 1812, who died in May, 1883, aged ninety-five years. Her mother, whose maiden name was Elizabeth Mitchell, departed this life in September, 1893, at the age of eighty-two.

Three children have blessed the union of Mr. and Mrs. Blue. The eldest, Nettie, married J. W. Sigler, a merchant of Mt. Vernon, Ohio, engaged in a general store with Browning & Sperry; they have two children. The younger daughters, Eleanor and Mabel, were educated in the public schools of Homer, Eleanor being a graduate of the Columbus Business College. For two years she was stenographer for the Warden of the state penitentiary, was also employed in the Singer Sewing Machine office, and latterly in a railroad office, all in Columbus.

Being called to Columbus on the convening of Legislature, Mr. Blue has since resided there. Socially, he is a member of the Masonic order and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His career was so long and closely linked with the history of Licking County, that a work of this character would be incomplete without a sketch of his life. To the ability of such men as he does the county owe its advance movements in every department of business activity and the development of its valuable resources, and he therefore justly occupies a high place in the regard of the people.

NEHEMIAH LETTS, a retired farmer residing in Utica, is a native of the Buckeye State, having been born in Morgan Township, Knox County, November 17, 1820. The family was first represented in Ohio by his grandfather, Nehemiah Letts, a native of New Jersey, who for some time resided in Somerset County, Pa., and thence in 1806 made a trip to Ohio, where he purchased land in both Licking and Knox Counties. Returning to Pennsylvania, he continued to reside there until 1816, when he came to Ohio once more and settled upon his property in Morgan Township, Knox County. There in 1822, at the age of fifty-nine years, his death occurred. His wife, who bore the maiden name of Rhoda Reed, died in June, 1835, aged sixty-three years.

In Grandfather Letts' family there were four sons and four daughters, all of whom attained to years of maturity, married and reared children. John Letts, father of our subject, was born in Somerset County, Pa., about 1788, and accompanied his father to Ohio in 1806, assisting in the selection of the lands. On his return to the Keystone State he engaged in farming. Soon after his marriage in 1816 to Mary Hanna, also a native of Somerset County, he removed to Ohio and made permanent settlement in Morgan Township, Knox County. Being a surveyor, he was often called upon by his neighbors to mark the property lines between adjoining farms. Through good management he accumulated about four hundred acres, and at the time of his death, in 1860, was well-to-do. His wife, who was a daughter of James Hanna, a native of the North of Ireland, died in 1853.

Of ten children constituting the family of John Letts, five attained mature years, namely: Nehemiah and Joel, now the only survivors; Reed, Jackson and John. The latter was a minister by profession and died in Sedalia, Mo. The eldest of the children, Nehemiah, was reared upon the home farm, his boyhood years being uneventfully passed. March 30, 1848, he married Mary, daughter of John and Mary (Starrett) Smith, and a native of Knox County.

Until 1872 Mr. Letts engaged in farming pursuits, but during that year he rented his property and removed to Utica, where he has since lived, comparatively retired from life's active pursuits. He has, through economy and industry, gained prosperity, and is now the owner of more than five hundred acres of valuable land, in addition to his comfortable home in Utica. He has been a witness of the many changes this century has wrought in the Buckeye State. During his early

childhood years white settlers were comparatively few in number, and wild animals were frequently seen in the forests. He has lived to see the country densely populated, the value of lands greatly increased and the development of the material resources of the state. In his religious belief he supports the doctrines of the Baptist Church. While he has never cared to take a prominent place in public affairs, he always gives loyal allegiance to the principles of the Republican party, and never fails to cast his ballot for its principles.

JAMES M. McCLELLAND. The earthly pilgrimage of this venerable resident of Licking County covers a period of about four score years, his birth having occurred September 8, 1815. For many years his life record has been connected with the development and material growth of this county, to which he came in 1830, settling in Eden Township in September of that year. As may be imagined he has witnessed many wonderful changes since this locality became his home. Nor has he been an uninterested witness, but in every way possible he has contributed to the development of its resources, and his name will be held in affectionate remembrance long after he shall have journeyed into the land beyond.

Mr. McClelland is a native of Greene County, Pa., which was also the birthplace of his parents, Carey and Sarah (Warthen) McClelland. In 1830 the family came to Ohio, where the father had purchased land some ten years before. One of his sons had settled in Licking County in 1829. The parents continued to reside in Eden Township as long as they lived. The mother was fatally injured by a horse, receiving injuries that resulted in her death May 5, 1853. The father survived her, passing away March 27, 1856. They had fifteen children, of whom eight sons and five daughters attained to manhood and womanhood.

On the home farm our subject attained to man's estate. His father and uncle were engaged in the cattle trade, and, when a small boy, he assisted in driving hogs to Baltimore, where they were sold. On the 25th of March, 1841, he was united in marriage with Miss Amelia, daughter of Isaac Bell. This estimable lady was born in Licking County in October, 1822, and died in the same county, November 27, 1882. They were the parents of two children, a son and a daughter. Isaac, who was born April 26, 1842, is married and resides in Utica; Mary E., whose birth occurred August 8, 1843, is the wife of Calvin Miller, of Knox County.

After his marriage our subject settled on a farm in Licking County, but later sojourned for a few years in Delaware County. Since returning to Licking County he has continued to reside here, engaged in farming pursuits and also giving some attention to the raising of sheep. He is the owner of one hundred and thirty-seven acres, which he still superintends, though the infirmities incident to advancing age prevent him from actively tilling the soil. For two years he conducted a mercantile establishment in Martinsburg, and has also dealt extensively in live stock. With two others he had the contract for constructing the canal from Ottawa to Utica, Ill., and made his home in that state for four years. He has kept in touch with all the advancing movements of the present age, and is as progressive and public-spirited as he was forty years ago. Time has dealt kindly with him, and he preserves his mental faculties unimpaired, and while physically he is not so strong as in former years, he nevertheless is hale and vigorous for one of his years.

SHERMAN S. WHITE. While Union Station is itself a comparatively unimportant village, it nevertheless commands the trade of a large section of the surrounding country. Here the farmers find a market for their produce, which they dispose of for cash or in exchange for various necessary commodities. The principal

store at the station is that owned and conducted by Mr. White, who is Postmaster as well as merchant, and is recognized as the leading citizen of the place. Though still a young man, the success which he has gained might well be desired by many of his seniors in years.

The parents of our subject are Samuel S. and Ella (Smith) White, the latter being a daughter of the late Stephen F. Smith, an early settler and prominent business man of Hebron, where he remained until death. Sherman S. was born in Hebron, Union Township, Licking County, November 14, 1864. He was only five years of age when his parents removed to Kirkersville and there the succeeding six years were passed. From there he returned to Hebron with the family, and here he has since resided.

In early boyhood Mr. White received a fair elementary education, but as he was obliged to become self-supporting at an early age, his advantages were necessarily limited. From the age of twelve to sixteen years he worked by the day at any honest occupation he could secure. He then entered the employ of H. D. Burch, with whom he remained as clerk for six years. Afterward he became an employe in the establishment of W. F. Janeway & Co., of Columbus, Ohio. For one year he traveled as commercial salesman, and then returning to Hebron, accepted a position as clerk for D. T. Crawshaw, with whom he remained for one year.

The year 1889 witnessed the arrival of Mr. White at Union Station, of which he has since been a resident. Purchasing the stock of goods belonging to F. B. Ford, he opened a store and has since conducted an extensive trade among the people of this section. February 2, 1892, under the administration of President Harrison, he was appointed Postmaster at Union Station, in which capacity he has since served acceptably. Politically he is a Republican, but does not mingle actively in public affairs, preferring to devote his attention to his business interests.

In Union Township, September 18, 1888, occurred the marriage of S. S. White and Miss Blanche E. Larimore, the daughter of John Larimore, of Union Township. Three children blessed this union, namely: Harry, who died at the age of three months; Wilber S. and Mildred B. The family is highly regarded in the social circles of the township. As a business man, such has been the uniform reliability of Mr. White's transactions that he now occupies a high position in the confidence of the general public, who recognize in him an honorable, energetic and fair-minded man.

VIRGIL J. HAMMOND. The business interests of Alexandria have a capable and successful representative in the gentleman named, who is well and favorably known as a dealer in coal, grain and lumber. He has been a life-long resident of Licking County and was born in St. Alban's Township September 3, 1855. He is the son of Joshua and Algarvia (Harrigal) Hammond, the former born in New Jersey May 15, 1821, and the latter a native of Zanesville, Ohio. Both are still living and make their home in St. Alban's Township, of which they have long been residents.

Nine children comprised the family, but three are now deceased. The six living children are, Virgil J.; Laura E., wife of John G. Davis; Orrilla M., George B., Willis H. and Archie D. Our subject was reared on his father's farm and after completing the studies of the common schools, devoted his attention exclusively to agriculture until he was twenty-three years old. He then embarked in his present business, building his elevator early in the '80s. As a business man he has met with a success to which his keen discrimination, excellent management, force of character and untiring industry certainly entitle him.

At Newark, Ohio, on the 27th of March, 1884, Miss Persis L. Lloyd became the wife of Mr. Hammond. This lady was born in Newark September

15, 1863, and is a daughter of the late Robert and Mary Lloyd, both of whom died in Newark, the mother passing from earth when her daughter was an infant of eleven weeks. One child has blessed the union of Mr. and Mrs. Hammond, Celia M., who was born May 1, 1885.

Believing it to be the duty of every public-spirited citizen to maintain an intelligent interest in affairs of local or national interest, Mr. Hammond keeps himself well posted concerning all the great issues of the age, and is therefore a pleasant and interesting conversationalist. He has given careful study to the principles of the great political parties, and favoring free trade, consequently gives his support to the Democratic party. In April of 1892 he was elected to the office of Township Trustee, which position he has since held. He has also been Clerk of the Election Board. His wife united with the Methodist Episcopal Church when she was thirteen and has since adhered to the faith she then professed. While not identified with any denomination, he favors Methodist doctrines and attends the services of this church. He is now in the prime of manly vigor and usefulness, and it is probable that future years may bring him added successes; such at least is the hope of his hosts of personal friends.

LEVI M. FARNSWORTH. This well known farmer of Newark Township is a native of Licking County, his birth having occurred in Mary Ann Township, March 13, 1843. He is the son of Mahlon Farnsworth, a native of Shenandoah County, Va., born in 1817, who came to this state in childhood and at the age of twenty-five years married Miss Lydia Miller. Mrs. Farnsworth was born in Mary Ann Township March 3, 1818, and died April 2, 1883. A sketch of her ancestry appears in the history of Jacob Miller herein.

Of the six children comprising the family of Mahlon Farnsworth only two are now living. Levi M. is the eldest of the family. Sarah E., born June 23, 1847, married Charles Marshall and died June 23, 1875, at twenty-eight years of age; she had united with the church in 1866, and was a sincere and devoted Christian to the end of her short life. Orlena, also a devoted Christian, died of consumption September 23, 1878, aged twenty-nine years. Alice O. died October 7, 1870, when only seventeen. With every prospect for a happy life, she was called from earth, and on her death bed implored her relatives to meet her in heaven, saying as she fell asleep, "I am going to Jesus." Emma, who was born March 22, 1860, died July 9, 1890, at the home of our subject, being the last of four daughters whose lives ended in the consummation of that dread disease, hereditary consumption. Like the others, she was firm in her Christian faith and died with the assurance of future life beyond the grave.

Thus the father, mother and four sisters have crossed the dark river of death, leaving but the two brothers to represent the family. Jacob, the second child, married Mayme O. Forry, and is a farmer by occupation, residing in Granville Township, one and one-half miles northwest of the village. He has had three children, Harry, Grace and Blanche, the latter dying in childhood. Our subject was educated in the district schools of his native township and worked on his father's farm until he was twenty-one. He then began railroading in the employ of the Baltimore & Ohio, and for about fourteen years operated stationary engines in the railroad water works at Union Station and Utica. While at the last named place he was called home on account of his father's failing health and resumed his farm work, in which occupation he is still engaged.

By the terms of his father's will, Mr. Farnsworth came into possession of the old home farm in Newark Township, where he now lives. His father had removed from Mary Ann Township to Bennington Township, this county, when Levi M. was only a child, remaining there until 1861, and coming to the present property during the Civil War. October 23, 1890, Mr. Farnsworth was united in marriage with Miss Lizzie E. Evans, a native of Licking County, and daughter of Lewis Evans,

Jr. Her grandfather, Lewis Evans, Sr., was a native of Virginia and a very early settler of Licking County, where he died at the age of ninety-six years. Lewis Evans, Jr., died in 1892; his wife, whose maiden name was Jane Conrad, and whom he married in this county, still makes her home here. They had four children, Clark M., Henry A., Alta and Lizzie, of whom the two first-named are farmers of this county, while Alta died in young womanhood. To Mr. and Mrs. Farnsworth one child has been born, Ray Evans, now nineteen months old. The family is identified with the Methodist Episcopal Church of Newark, while politically Mr. Farnsworth votes with and works for the Republican party.

JOHN J. SIMMONS. The prosperous farmers of Burlington Township have achieved their success by virtue of their own thoroughgoing industry, untiring enterprise and the wealth that lay hidden under the sod of the Buckeye State. Among such we are pleased to mention the name of John J. Simmons, a general farmer and stock-raiser, whose farm consists of one hundred and fifty well cultivated acres. Whatever success he has met with in life, and it is not a little, is due to his own efforts. His industry, good management and perseverance have won for him a handsome competence, which places him among the substantial citizens of the community.

Near Homer, on the farm now owned by his brother Lewis, the subject of this sketch was born September 17, 1826. Of his parents, Van and Sarah (Butcher) Simmons, mention is made in the sketch of Lewis Simmons. He lived on the parental homestead until he was twenty-four years of age, meantime attending the public schools of the home locality. At the age above mentioned he was married, October 13, 1850, to Miss Mary Jane Wise, a native of Washington County, Pa., and four years his junior. He moved to his present farm and raised a crop of grain prior to his marriage, keeping "bachelor's hall" and sleeping in a barn. In that way he began life for himself. A portion of the farm he purchased from his father, the balance being inherited. It originally comprised one hundred acres, but fifty acres have since been added to the property. Here he engages both in general farming and in stock-raising.

Politically, Mr. Simmons is a Democrat, though not of the radical type. During the late war he was loyal to our Government, supporting the cause of the Union. An honest, upright citizen, he possesses the confidence and esteem of all who know him, and is especially prominent in the Methodist Episcopal Church, to which he and his wife have belonged for many years. Mrs. Simmons was born October 31, 1830, and is the daughter of Jacob and Harriet (Alexander) Wise, natives of Washington County, Pa., who died in Ohio. There were five sons and three daughters in the family, only three of whom are now living. Andrew A., the eldest, lives in Las Vegas, N. M. Mrs. Simmons was the second in order of birth. Hannah E., Mrs. Charles Selby, died in Story County, Iowa, leaving eight children. William A., a lieutenant in the army, died in Missouri from the effects of disease contracted in the service. Cyrus N., who served three years in the army, returned in broken health and died in Delaware County, Ohio, from the effects of disease and hardships resulting from army life. Demas Z. died in the army and was buried at Frederick City, Md. Loretta died in Washington County, Pa. Jacob J., a man of good education and fine business attainments, has been engaged in mining and has devoted much of his time to travel, visiting all the western states and spending several winters in Alaska. When last heard from he was in Salt Lake City, Utah. He has been three times married, his first and second wives having died in Sedalia, Mo.

To Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Simmons five children were born. Harriet Louisa, whose birth occurred on the home farm July 9, 1852, married Park DeCrow, a prosperous farmer living near the parental home. Sarah Philena, born September 27,

1854, is the wife of Charles Fry. Mary E., born April 18, 1857, is the wife of Willis Shipley, who cultivates the home farm. Warner W., born November 4, 1860, married Hattie Lake and resides near Johnstown; he was educated at the Utica Normal School and is a school teacher by occupation, having also served as Appraiser, Assessor and Justice of the Peace in Monroe Township. Martha, who was born September 18, 1863, was an intelligent and refined young lady, popular with all who knew her. She was especially fitted for teaching, and had just completed her first term of school when she was taken ill with typhoid fever and died August 23, 1882, when nearly nineteen years old.

JOHN LARIMORE. Without a sketch of Mr. Larimore, well known among the successful agriculturists of the county, this volume would be incomplete. A life-long resident of Union Township, he is now the owner of one of the finest farms of the locality, which through excellent methods of fertilization and proper rotation of crops has been brought to a high state of cultivation. The success which he has attained is especially noteworthy inasmuch as it has been secured through his own unremitting exertions, aided by the efficient co-operation of his excellent wife.

Mr. Larimore was born in Union Township, October 7, 1831, and grew to manhood upon his father's farm, where it was his especial duty to attend to the flocks and herds. When opportunity allowed he attended the neighboring schools, but the broad fund of information he now possesses is attributable mainly to his own persevering endeavors. In the school of experience he was an apt pupil, and through reading and observation he has become a well informed man.

The lady who on the 9th of November, 1854, became the wife of Mr. Larimore bore the maiden name of Hannah M. Lane and was born in Union Township April 2, 1835. She received a good education in the district school and remained beneath the parental roof until she left it to enter the home prepared for her by her husband. After his marriage Mr. Larimore settled upon a portion of his father's estate, where he resided about nine years. In November, 1863, he purchased one hundred and seventy-two acres, comprising the nucleus of his present possessions. At the time of purchase the land was unimproved, but through his diligent efforts and untiring industry the soil has been placed under excellent cultivation and all the necessary buildings have been erected. He is now the owner of about four hundred acres of valuable land, all situated in Union Township.

The union of Mr. and Mrs. Larimore has resulted in the birth of thirteen children, nine of whom are now living. Clara E. and Elma E. died at the respective ages of four and sixteen years. Caroline is the wife of John Black; William G. resides in New Mexico; George L. married Lillie King and makes his home in Topeka, Kan; Richard C. is a railroad man in New Mexico; Blanche is the wife of S. S. White, a merchant living at Union Station (of whom see sketch elsewhere in this work); Fannie F. is the wife of C. E. Perry; Bruce L. and Jessie V. are at home; one child died unnamed in infancy, and James H. passed away when eighteen months old; Fred B., the youngest, is also at home.

The parents of our subject, James and Ann Eliza (DeWald) Larimore, were natives respectively of Virginia and Maryland, and came to Licking County in a very early day, settling in Union Township. There they died, the father in 1874, when seventy-three years old, and the mother in 1886, aged eighty-three years. Their children were, Daniel, Louisa, John, Sarah, Scienda, James and Caroline. The father was a man of more than ordinary enterprise, determination and force of character, and while economical in personal expenditures, was generous to those in need, and no deserving person was ever refused assistance by him.

Mrs. Larimore is the daughter of Richard and

Elizabeth (Horn) Lane, the former born in Washington County, Ohio, February 14, 1812, and the latter born in Union Township, Licking County, the same date as that of her husband. After their marriage they settled in Union Township, where they walked life's pathway side by side for a period of fifty-eight years, dying amid the scenes of their early wedded life. The wife and mother passed away December 20, 1891, and Mr. Lane did not long survive her demise, his death occurring January 8, 1892. They had two children, Hannah M. and George W., the latter of whom died in Union Township in 1861, when twenty-three years old.

In local affairs, and especially in all enterprises for the promotion of the best interests of the people, Mr. Larimore takes a commendable interest, and in his political views is a loyal supporter of the Democratic party. While not identified with any denomination, he favors the Baptist Church, of which his wife is a consistent member. They occupy a high place in the regard of their hosts of friends and are numbered among the most influential citizens of Union Township.

COL. JOSEPH C. WEHRLE.
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Col. Joseph C. Wehrle.

COL. JOSEPH C. WEHRLE. Few residents of Newark were so closely identified with its business interests during a period covering more than a quarter of a century as was the subject of this biographical notice. In the prime of his usefulness, ere yet old age had dimmed his eyes or impaired his intellect, he passed from earth and his mortal remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at this place.

Born in Germany March 3, 1836, Mr. Wehrle was a lad of thirteen years when he accompanied the other members of the family to the United States, settling with them at Newark. His father, Martin Wehrle, was a blacksmith by trade, and in this city was engaged also in the mercantile business for a time. He was one of ten children, only four of whom grew to maturity, and of these he was the eldest, the others being Catherine, who became the wife of John McCarthy, of Newark, and died in 1866; Elizabeth, who died in 1867; and Anna, wife of William Sex, of Newark. In Newark Joseph C. learned the trade of a moulder, which he followed here, and in 1859 he opened a grocery store on Fifth Street. After the Civil War broke out he enlisted in the Union army, and was appointed Second Lieutenant of Company E, Seventy-sixth Ohio Infantry, October 17, 1861. He recruited and organized this company at his own expense, and on the 16th of December following was commissioned Captain of the same company. The regiment was organized at Newark, Ohio, and was ordered to Paducah, Ky., February 9, 1862.

The regiment participated in many important engagements, among them the capture of Ft. Donelson, siege of Corinth, capture of the steamer "Fair Play," siege of Vicksburg, Chattanooga, Lookout Mountain, Atlanta Campaign, Resaca, Kenesaw Mountain and numerous others, in all of which Captain Wehrle proved himself a brave, daring soldier. By reason of the expiration of his term of service he was honorably discharged October 28, 1864, and on the 13th of March, 1865, he was brevetted Major and Lieutenant-Colonel of United States Volunteers for gallant and meritorious services during the war. On his return to Newark he formed a partnership with T. J. Davis in the wholesale grocery business. Later he engaged in the wholesale liquor trade, and afterward carried on a grocery store in partnership with John McCarthy.

Associated with John Moser, in 1883, Mr. Wehrle established the Moser & Wehrle Foundry and en-

barked in the manufacture of stoves. In January, 1890, he purchased his partner's interest and conducted the business under the firm title of Moser, Wehrle & Co. At the time of his death, March 31, 1890, he owned a three-fourths interest in the foundry, and afterward his widow purchased the other one-fourth. At the present time (1894), William W. Wehrle owns a half-interest in the business, while the Wehrle estate owns the other half.

In addition to the foundry Mr. Wehrle owned other valuable property, and at the time of his death owned several business blocks, including the Wehrle Block, on West Main Street. In his religious belief he was a member of the Catholic Church, and politically gave his support to the principles of the Republican party. His widow, who still survives, was prior to her marriage, in 1865, Miss Philomena V. Morath. She was born in Columbus and is the daughter of Michael Morath, a well known brewer of this city. There were born to the union eleven children, only five of whom attained mature years, viz.: Joseph, a Catholic priest, and now residing at Wheelersburg, Ohio; Mary, a nun in St. Mary's Convent at Columbus; William W.; August T., a moulder by trade and a resident of Newark; and Cecelia, who is attending school.

WILLIAM W. WEHRLE is a son of Joseph C. and Philomena V. (Morath) Wehrle. He was born February 25, 1870, and after completing the studies of the common schools, in 1884 he entered St. Vincent College at Beatty, Pa., where he remained for three years. On his return to Newark he assisted in various departments at the foundry, thus becoming familiar with all branches of the business. Soon after the death of his father he assumed the management of the business, in which he now owns a one-half interest. He has already displayed the possession of the qualifications that bring success to a business man, and it is safe to say that under his careful supervision the business will enjoy a steadily increasing reputation for the character of its productions. Politically he gives his support to the principles of the Republican party.

PHILIP P. SMOOTS. This prosperous agriculturist and stock-dealer, residing near Utica, was born December 16, 1832, on the farm where he now lives. His parents, George and Susan (Nicely) Smoots, were natives of Shenandoah County, Va., where they were also reared and married, the latter event occurring December 13, 1820. After the birth of two children they removed from the Old Dominion to Ohio, coming to Licking County in 1822 and settling on the farm where our subject now lives.

In the parental family there were five sons and one daughter, only three of whom survive. Harrison, the eldest, died about 1882; he was the only Whig in the family, and while the other members became Republicans on the organization of that party, he affiliated with the Democrats until his death. Matthias died soon after the war from the effects of army service. George W. died about a week after his discharge from the army, his death resulting from disease contracted while in the service. Our subject is fourth in order of birth. Nathaniel Fuller is proprietor of a meat market in Utica. Susan, the widow of Charles Trowbridge, lives in Utica. The father of this family was a soldier in the War of 1812, and was a man of upright and energetic disposition. His death occurred April 1, 1867.

Reared to the calling of a farmer, our subject chose agriculture for his occupation and has always followed that vocation. He was unable to go to the front during the war, but furnished a substitute, and his sympathies were ever on the side of the Union. On the 10th of December, 1856, he married Miss Martha Stevenson, a native

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of Ireland, who at the age of about twelve years came to America with her parents, John and Susanna Stevenson. They settled in Licking County, of which they were long residents. The mother is now deceased, and the father makes his home in Chillicothe.

In March, 1866, Mr. Smoots moved his family to Mexico, Mo., and purchasing property, lived there about two years. On account of the death of his father he was compelled to return home and attend to the settlement of the estate. He disposed of his Missouri property at a good bargain and bought the parental homestead, where the family now lives. The farm comprises about one hundred and three acres, on which are excellent improvements. For about thirty-five years Mr. Smoots has been engaged in buying and selling stock, in which department of agriculture he has met with flattering success. He buys and sells all kinds of stock, feeds some cattle and a large herd of sheep every winter, and has recently made shipments to Buffalo as well as New York City, though for some time Pittsburgh was the regular market.

To Mr. and Mrs. Smoots eleven children were born, nine of whom are living. John S., who is married and has three children, is engaged in the mercantile business at Fredericktown, Ohio; Robert A., who married Effie McWilliams, lives in Utica; Wiley C., who is married and resides at Granville, is engaged with his brother Edward in the meat market and stock business, conducting two markets, also buying stock and hay in large quantities; George W. chose as his wife Phila Dunlap, and they live on the old homestead, his wife being housekeeper for the family; Edward, who married Laura Bell, is located at Granville, as previously stated; Lottie, who lives in Hamburg, Iowa, is the wife of George Hulsizer, who owns and operates a flouring mill at that place; Susanna married James Frie, a mechanic of Fredericktown; Maggie, living at Riverton, Iowa, is the wife of Robert Thompson, a hardware merchant and undertaker.

Mr. Smoots had the misfortune to lose his wife by death December 4, 1890. She had long been his devoted counselor and helpmate and was a lady of fervent religious belief, being a consistent member of the United Presbyterian Church. In his religious views he advocates Presbyterian doctrines and holds membership in the church of that denomination at Utica. He is one of the most successful and influential residents of Washington Township, and the prosperity he has attained is richly deserved, having been secured by good management, economy, perseverance and energy.

WILLIAM A. LOVETT, proprietor of the Newark Steam Laundry and a resident of this city since 1881, was born in Mansfield, Ohio, October 30, 1837, being a son of John W. and Lydia (Gray) Lovett. He was reared to manhood upon a farm, and for a time was a student in the common schools. Later, after having worked for himself for two years, he continued his studies in an academy. When only nineteen he commenced to teach school, and during the summer seasons attended school, while in winter he taught in Crawford and Richland Counties.

In the spring of 1860 Mr. Lovett went to New York State, where he visited friends. In the winter of 1860-61 he taught school at Thompsonville, Sullivan County, N. Y. When the Civil War commenced he at once enlisted for two years in response to the call of the New York State Legislature. After remaining in the service of the state for a short time he was mustered into the United States service with Company H, Twenty-eighth New York Infantry, under General Banks. The first engagement of the regiment was at Winchester, although several skirmishes had taken place previously. Later came the battle of Cedar Mountain, where Mr. Lovett received a gun shot wound, which disabled him from further service. He remained in the hospital until the regiment was mustered out, when he returned to the Buckeye State.

After a short time spent in Richland County Mr. Lovett went to Wyandot County, where he

was first employed as a farm laborer, and later worked in an implement store at Upper Sandusky. After serving as Deputy Postmaster for a time, he was appointed Postmaster under the administration of President Lincoln, and served in that capacity until, on account of his refusal to endorse President Johnson, he was removed from office. He then traveled in the employ of a book publishing house. In 1868 he went to Peoria, Ill, where for two years he was the representative of the Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine Company. From that place he went to Ottawa, Ill., and during his residence there of twelve years he was engaged in the manufacture of shirts, and also in the steam laundry business.

Returning to Ohio in 1880, Mr. Lovett became a resident of Newark two years later, and establishing his steam laundry soon after coming here, now conducts the oldest business in that line in the city. Not only is it the oldest, but the largest laundry as well, and the accurate and reliable business transactions of the proprietor, together with his systematic and thorough manner of conducting the enterprise, have secured for the laundry an established reputation.

In 1863 occurred the marriage of Mr. Lovett and Miss Louisa, daughter of John Smith, and a native of Fredricksburg, Ohio. Her mother's maiden name was Seawright. One child has blessed this union, Emma. In religious connections Mr. and Mrs. Lovett are members of the Second Presbyterian Church, to the support of which they contribute in proportion to their means. They have a pleasant home at No. 205 West Locust Street, and are well known and highly esteemed in the social circles of the community. A Republican in politics, Mr. Lovett was for several years Chairman of the Republican Executive Committee, and has frequently served as a delegate to various political conventions. Socially he is a member of Lemert Post, G. A. R., of which he is Past Commander.

The Lovett family is of English descent. The grandfather of our subject, Aaron Lovett, was a drayman in New York City, but removing thence, settled upon a farm in Sullivan County. His death occurred at the age of eighty years. The father of our subject was born in Dutchess County, N. Y., and in childhood removed with the family to New York City, where he attended school. Later removing to Sullivan County, he engaged in farming and teaching school. After his marriage he came to Ohio, and settling in Richland County, there made his home until his death, at the age of forty-four years. His wife passed away at the age of forty-five. He was a man of many virtues, and as a local preacher in the Methodist Episcopal Church accomplished much good in the community. Of his five children, four grew to mature years, namely: William A., of this sketch; David B., who lives on the old homestead; Aaron, a miner of South Dakota, and John B., an engineer, whose home in Galion, Ohio.

THOMAS PATTON was born January 14, 1847, upon the farm in Burlington Township where he now resides. He is the son of Joseph and Jane (Lusk) Patton, of whom further mention is made in the biographical sketch of Samuel Patton, elsewhere presented. In youth he became thoroughly familiar with the occupation of his ancestors, that of agriculture, and this he has followed for his life work. His education was received in the schools of the district, and while not complete, was nevertheless practical, thus preparing him for an active business career.

May 29, 1879, Mr. Patton was united in marriage with Miss Sarah, daughter of Thomas and Eleanor (Stearns) Larrimore. Mrs. Patton was orphaned by her mother's death when she was a mere child; her father subsequently married again, and the step-mother is still living, Mr. Larrimore having died in 1884. Mrs. Patton was one of five children, the others being sons, as follows: Joseph, a teacher by profession, and at present Deputy Clerk of Pottawattamie County, Iowa; Samuel Gilmer, manager of a horse ranch in Montana; Lemuel Franklin, who is employed with his brother

in Montana; and Robert Newlon, who lives in Homer, Ohio. The children received only common-school educations, with the exception of Joseph, who was educated at Denison University at Granville. Three children blessed the union of Mr. and Mrs. Patton, viz.: Reese Lee, who was born February 28, 1883; Clifford Carson, April 6, 1885; and Hazel Ruth, September 25, 1887.

Having inherited the old homestead, Mr. Patton now engages in the cultivation of the land. Upon the place he has made a number of valuable improvements, and his home is one of the neatest rural abodes in the township. The property consists of one hundred and eighty-four acres of farm land, besides twenty acres of timber land. As an agriculturist he is careful, persevering and industrious, and his success is due largely to the exercise of these qualities, combined with good sound judgment.

In religious belief Mr. and Mrs. Patton are actively connected with the Presbyterian Church at Homer, and he is a member of the building committee, having in charge the erection of the new edifice. He is also active in Sunday-school work. Both of his time and means he gives liberally to the support of religious work. He takes an intelligent interest in all progressive measures having for their object, either direct or indirect, the material welfare of the people, and may always be found on the side of right and justice.

JAMES SEARLE WILLIAMS, a representative farmer and stock grower of Burlington Township, and a leading citizen of Homer, was born September 9, 1851, in the house where he now lives. He is the eldest of the family of four sons and five daughters born to the union of Edwin and Catherine (Searle) Williams, further mention of whom is made elsewhere in this volume. For several generations the family was represented in Pennsylvania, where was born Grandfather George W. Williams, for many years a hotel keeper at Plains. In public affairs he was a man of prominence, and served for some time as Sheriff of the county. Socially, he was a zealous worker in the Masonic order.

The subject of this sketch was reared to manhood in Licking County, receiving a practical education in the common schools. For three years he served as his father's deputy in the Sheriff's office, and later, returning to Homer, spent three years beneath the parental roof. He then removed westward, and settling in the eastern part of Kansas, engaged in farming and sheep growing, operating a sheep ranch. In this enterprise he met with considerable success, gaining not only material profit, but also an experience that was of great value to him.

On receiving the announcement of his father's serious illness, Mr. Williams returned to Ohio, and after the death of his father went back to the Sunflower State, where he closed up his business. Since that he has made his home at the old place, where his boyhood days were passed. Here he has charge of the estate belonging to his mother, who is still living and at present makes her home on the farm in the suburbs of Homer, where her husband died. She is an educated and refined lady, esteemed by all who know her, and is a valued member of the Episcopal Church. Of her children we note the following: George W. is a prominent attorney of Columbus, Ohio; Mary S. is the wife of Dr. John Rouse, of St. Louisville; Clara became the wife of William Burner, a draughtsman with the Case Manufacturing Company at Columbus, Ohio; Ruth S. married Lewis Youst and resides on the home farm; Elizabeth V. is the wife of Frank Yoakam, who resides on his father's farm in Burlington Township; Helen D. is unmarried and lives with her mother.

At Homer, January 7, 1874, James S. Williams and Ella Dumbauld were united in marriage. Mrs. Williams is the daughter of David Dumbauld, a prominent farmer and merchant of Burlington Township, who at one time owned and operated a general store in the village of Homer. She was educated in this city, completing her studies in the

Presbyterian Female College at Granville. One child blesses their union, Clendon Searle, now (1894) nineteen years of age and a young man of superior intellectual ability. Together with his family Mr. Williams is identified with the Presbyterian Church at Homer, in the good works of which they assist with characteristic liberality. Mr. Williams is Chairman of the building committee, which has in charge the erecting of the Presbyterian Church at Homer.

SAMUEL L. SHAFFER. The agricultural interests of Licking County have a worthy representative in this influential citizen of Burlington Township. He is a native of Knox County, Ohio, having been born at Mt. Liberty, on the 2d of July, 1863, to Peter and Ellen (Thatcher) Shaffer. The Shaffer family is of German origin though somewhat remote. The father was born in Pennsylvania on the 4th of December, 1826, came with his parents when young to Knox County, Ohio, and there continued to reside until his death, February 1, 1893. The mother, a native of New Jersey, accompanied her parents to Knox County in childhood, and at present makes her home in Columbus, this state.

Five sons and one daughter constitute the parental family. George M. married Ella Lyle, and they have two sons; he resides at Mt. Liberty, where he owns the old family homestead, and in addition to dealing in farm produce, he is also filling the position of station agent. William H., who married Calla Cox, resides in Centreburgh, Ohio, and is a liveryman by occupation. Our subject is the next in order of birth. Clement V. married Miss Della, daughter of Marshall Doty, who is owner of a boot and shoe store at Marysville. Ella is the wife of Porter Bliss, proprietor of the popular Hotel Bliss at Utica. Charles P., the youngest, resides in Columbus, Ohio, where he has been a clerk for several years; he is unmarried and takes care of his widowed brother.

Educated in Knox County, our subject was about twenty-one years of age when he began to learn the silversmith's trade in Mt. Vernon. After having worked at this business about three years, he bought the farm on which he is now located and has since engaged in agricultural pursuits. May 25, 1882, he was united in marriage with Miss Sadie M., daughter of Morgan and Elizabeth (West) Woodruff, old settlers, and still prominent residents of Burlington Township. Three children bless this union, Morgan Guy, Goldie Amber and Lulu Coral Wave. The children are enjoying the benefits of the excellent schools of the district, and the eldest will enter the Utica graded schools at the beginning of the fall term (1894).

December 22, 1887, Mr. Shaffer was deeply bereaved by the death of his wife, an exemplary Christian lady, who was beloved by all who knew her. The loss was also an irreparable one to the little children, bereft of a mother's love when not yet old enough to realize the extent of their bereavement. Mr. Shaffer is a man of untiring industry, and the fact that he has accumulated a valuable property in a comparatively brief period, speaks well not only for his industry, but also for his excellent management. Socially he is a member of Burlington Lodge No. 551, K. P., in which he has held various official positions, and is now the third officer. In religious connections he is identified with the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Enterprising and public-spirited, Mr. Shaffer takes an active interest in local and national questions and votes with the Democratic party. For three years he served as Trustee of Burlington Township, during which time he built the pike from Homer to Utica, a distance of four miles. This is called the Shaffer pike, and was built by Licking County, aided by private subscriptions. The proposition by the County Commissioners was to duplicate from county funds the amount raised by private subscriptions. Mr. Shaffer presented them a subscription list showing that $400 had been pledged by people interested. This sum was promptly duplicated and the work went on. Outside of the paved streets of the cities, there is no

better road in the county to-day, and the success of the enterprise is largely due to the untiring efforts of Mr. Shaffer. He deals extensively in stock, making a specialty of buying and matching carriage horses, and has sold several fine teams to parties in Columbus and other cities. Now in the prime of life, the future years will undoubtedly bring to him an ever increasing success in financial affairs.

WILLIAM A. MOORE. Few of the farmers of Burlington Township enjoy a more extended acquaintance throughout Licking County than does the subject of this sketch, an efficient, capable and enterprising agriculturist, whose life occupation has been that which he still successfully follows. He owns and operates a valuable estate consisting of one hundred and twenty acres, upon which he engages in general farming. The land contains first-class improvements, including a substantial set of farm buildings, and the soil has been placed under a high state of cultivation.

Of the parents of our subject, V. R. and Mary (Butcher) Moore, mention is made in the sketch of the former, presented on another page. William A., the only son, was born in Delaware June 1, 1853, and received an excellent education in the district school and the Homer High School. Being a thoughtful reader and a man of unusual intelligence, he has added to his fund of knowledge by self culture, and is intelligently posted upon all topics of local or general importance.

On the 25th of September, 1876, William A. Moore was united in marriage with Miss Alice, daughter of the late Alex and Martha Iles, of Bennington Township, Licking County. One child blessed this union, Grace, who resides with her grandparents, and is now (1894) a student in college. In March of 1883, the wife and mother was called from earth. Mr. Moore was again married in June, 1885, choosing as his wife Miss Elizabeth Yoakam, an estimable and cultured lady, who was educated in the Homer High School. She is a daughter of M. W. and Esther Yoakam, a prominent family of Burlington Township.

In politics, Mr. Moore is active, being recognized as a leader among the Republicans of his township. Frequently he has been chosen to serve as a delegate to county conventions, and has also represented his party in numerous local positions of trust. He believes the principles of the Republican party are the best adapted to promote the welfare and material prosperity of the people, and consequently gives to them his loyal and enthusiastic support. In his social connections he affiliates with the Masonic fraternity, belonging to Licking Lodge No. 291, in which he has held the office of Junior Warden. He and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church at Homer, the services of which they regularly attend, and to the support of which they generously contribute.

ELMAS W. SCOTT, a prominent merchant of Homer, was born December 15, 1834, in the town where he now lives. He enjoys the distinction of being the oldest resident of Homer who was born here. His paternal grandfather, Thomas Scott, came to what is now Burlington Township in 1802, entering Government land within a half-mile of the present site of Homer. On this farm, December 27, 1803, was born Samuel, our subject's father, who in youth learned the trade of a cabinet-maker. This occupation he followed until about the beginning of the Civil War, when he purchased and settled upon a farm two miles north of Homer, continuing to reside on that place until his death, in 1877.

Our subject's mother was Lydia, daughter of Cary Meade, one of the first settlers of Granville, coming there in 1802 and continuing to make it his home until death. Mrs. Scott was born in Granville January 14, 1804, and died in Kansas

City, Mo., in January, 1888. Her family comprised five sons and one daughter, concerning whom the following is noted: Samuel A. resides in Napa City, Cal., where he is a merchant and Internal Revenue Collector for two ports on the Pacific coast. Mrs. M. L. Newlon, the wife of a well-to-do retired merchant, resides at Pacific Grove, Cal.; Thomas is a wealthy merchant at Woodlawn, Mo.; Elmas W. is our subject; Orville, a prosperous farmer at West Ely, Mo., was severely wounded while in the army during the Civil War, being shot through the body, and from the effects of the injury he has never recovered; Winfield died at the age of six years.

The subject of this sketch was educated in the public schools of Homer and at South Salem Academy in Ross County, Ohio. He has been twice married. In 1856 he was united with Miss Helen M. Williams, who was born in Wilkes Barre, Pa., in 1837, and died February 28, 1890. Two children were born of this union, viz.: Charles W., a farmer and ranchman of Edwards County, Kan., who married Miss Cora Hargadine and has three children; and Lulu M., now the wife of Edward H. Rankin, a lumber merchant of Columbus, Ohio, their union being blessed with three children.

On the 20th of September, 1893, Mr. Scott married his present companion, Mrs. Sarah (Weaver) Cooper, who was born in Licking County, Ohio, (her birthplace being at Chatham, Newton Township) in 1844. She is a daughter of George and Ruth Weaver, well known residents of Newton Township. The life occupation of Mr. Scott has been that of a merchant. For a time he was a clerk in the employ of others, later engaged in business together with Dr. B. Coleman, but for twenty years past he has been alone. He operates a general store and has the largest stock of goods in the village. In all his transactions he has been very successful and is universally esteemed for his integrity and business ability.

Under the administration of Benjamin Harrison, in 1889, Mr. Scott was appointed Postmaster at Homer. During the war he served in the same capacity, having been appointed by President Lincoln in 1861, and filling the position until 1866, when he resigned and went to Missouri. In political belief he has always adhered to Republican principles and is prominent in local affairs. For some time he served as Treasurer of his township and has also occupied other offices of trust. Socially, he is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias. His first wife was a faithful member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to which he and his children also belong. From his mother he inherits the sturdy qualities of the people of the Green Mountain State, while from his paternal ancestors he has derived strength of character and indomitable energy. With his family he occupies a high place in the regard of the people among whom his life has been passed, and no name is more respected than that of E. W. Scott.

HENRY N. TIPPETT, the village blacksmith of Homer, was born in Newark, Ohio, February 22, 1840. His father, James W., was born in Maryland in 1815, and for twenty years was engaged as a dealer in agricultural implements at Newark. For twelve years he carried on an extensive lumber business and in the interests of the enterprise was obliged to travel almost constantly, buying lumber in Pennsylvania, North and South Carolina, and other states. He was the first conductor on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, then known as the Sandusky, Mansfield & Newark, and was in the employ of this road and the Central Ohio line for sixteen years. His was a useful, honorable life, and such was the integrity of his character that he had a host of warm friends wherever he was known. Some years before his death he removed his family to Preston County, W. Va., settling at Cranberry Summit, and there he passed from earth in November, 1884.

The mother of our subject, whose maiden name was Sarah Zollinger, was born in Williams County, Pa., and coming to this state, settled at Marietta, where her parents both died before she was four

years old. At present she makes her home in Newark. Her children were three in number, Henry N., Helen and Emma. Helen, the eldest of the family, is the widow of John Batch and resides at Barnesville, Ohio; Emma, the youngest, married George McMullin, a resident of Newark and traveling salesman for a tobacco house.

The subject of this sketch served a three years' apprenticeship to the blacksmith's trade at Newark, also one year in a carriage shop at Utica. This, coupled with long experience in practical business and a natural aptitude for the trade, makes him a master mechanic in his line. In May, 1864, he enlisted as a member of Company H, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Ohio Infantry, and served in West Virginia and Maryland. He is now a pensioner of the Government by reason of the loss of an eye and other disabilities resulting from service.

Upon being discharged from the army, Mr. Tippett came to Homer, and here on the 14th of December, 1864, he married Miss Elizabeth, daughter of Harrison Weaver, of this place. This estimable lady died January 6, 1884, after having become the mother of seven children. They are, Maggie, who since her mother's death has lovingly cared for her father and the younger members of the family; Emma, wife of Harry Hoover, a farmer residing in Appleton, Licking County; Walter, Nannie and Hattie, who are successful teachers; Henry Harrison and Fannie, deceased. The children have received excellent school advantages and are well informed and refined.

The same year that Mr. Tippett lost his wife he met with another heavy misfortune in the loss of his property by fire, entailing a loss of about $2,500. It will thus be seen that he has had more than his share of hardships, but notwithstanding obstacles and misfortunes, he has worked industriously and perseveringly, and has been successful in making a good living, as well as laying up something for a rainy day. Socially, he is a member of the Sycamore Valley Lodge No. 553, I. O. O. F., at Brandon, and has filled the principal official stations in the fraternity. He is a charter member of Dill Post No. 463, G. A. R., at Homer, and is Past Commander.

In political views Mr. Tippett is a stanch Republican. For nine years he has been a member of the School Board and is interested in promoting the grade of scholarship here. Though not a member of any denomination, he is an attendant at church services and contributes of his means to the support of the Gospel. His daughters are members of the Presbyterian Church. He is the patentee of a farm gate known as the "H. N. Tippett Gate," from which he is deriving a handsome revenue. As a citizen he is held in high esteem by the residents of Homer, and as a business man he has the reputation of being enterprising, energetic, capable and persevering.

THOMAS CARTER dates his residence in Licking County from 1869, and his settlement in St. Alban's Township from 1880. Throughout life agriculture has been his chosen occupation, and that he made a wise selection the results plainly evince. It is said by his neighbors that his farm is one of the finest, not only in St. Alban's, but in the entire county. He avails himself to the utmost of modern farm machinery, modern plans of work and modern ideas, and as a consequence every acre of land produces the very best possible results.

The Carter family is of Virginian ancestry, and our subject's grandfather, Slathiel, a native of the Old Dominion, was born in Loudoun County. In an early day he came to this state and bought land in Hanover Township, Licking County, and then went back for his family, and returning, was taken sick and died on the way, when within a day's journey of his intended home. His widow moved on the farm with the family and reared her children and superintended the clearing, improving and cultivation of the land, and late in life married a Mr. Dean. The family consisted of five children, and Slathiel, the father of our subject, was third in order of birth. He was born in Loudoun County, Va., but grew to manhood in

Licking County, Ohio. About 1828, he married Sarah Wickham, of Muskingum County. They made their home in Licking County about six years, when they removed to Mt. Sterling, Muskingum County, where in 1838 Mr. Carter was murdered by a man by the name of Kemp. His widow, in 1843, married Mason Redman, by whom she had two children. She was again left a widow in 1849, and in 1860 became the wife of Joseph Blaine. She died in Muskingum County April 2, 1872.

In the parental family there were five children, of whom Thomas was the third in order of birth. He was born in Hanover Township, Licking County, Ohio, April 20, 1834, but when quite small was taken by his parents to Muskingum County, where his boyhood days were passed. His education was somewhat limited, but being a man of close observation and a thoughtful reader, he has become well informed. When the time came for him to choose his life occupation he selected agriculture, and so well has he prospered at this that he has no reason to regret his choice.

When the Civil War broke out the sympathies of Mr. Carter were aroused in behalf of the Union, and on the 2d of May, 1864, he enlisted as a member of Company D. One Hundred and Fifty-ninth Ohio Infantry, for one hundred days' service. At the expiration of his term of service he was honorably discharged, August 22, 1864, and returned home.

As above stated, Mr. Carter came to Licking County in 1869. Settling in Perry Township, he there conducted agricultural pursuits until 1881, and then removed to St. Alban's Township, where he has since resided. Since coming here he has introduced a number of improvements, erected substantial buildings and set out numerous shade and fruit trees. His orchard is without doubt one of the finest in the state of Ohio, and is now in good bearing condition. He raises the various cereals, to the cultivation of which the soil is adapted, and is in every respect a progressive and energetic farmer.

In Perry Township, Licking County, November 26, 1857, occurred the marriage of Thomas Carter and Anna M. Wintermute, a native of that township, born March 1, 1835. In religious connections they are identified with the Methodist Church, to the support of which they are liberal contributors. Politically, Mr. Carter is an ardent supporter of the principles advocated by the Republican party, and gives his support to its men and measures.

JOHN R. NEADERHAUSER, a well known mechanic and inventor of Homer, was born in Tuscarawas County, Ohio, January 31, 1851. He is of Swiss parentage, his father and mother, Hironomus and Katherine (Winters) Neaderhauser, having been born in Canton Berne, whence in 1851 they emigrated to America and settled on a farm in Tuscarawas County, Ohio. Later they removed to Defiance County, Ohio, where they died in 1875 within six weeks of each other.

Six children comprised the family of Mr. Neaderhauser, Sr., of whom Elizabeth died in the Mother Country, Mary on the ocean voyage to America, and Katherine in this country. The last-named married Frederick Gertner and left six children to mourn her death. John R. has always been of a mechanical bent of mind. He first learned the shoemaker's trade, at which he worked some two years after completing his apprenticeship. He then gave his attention to carpentry, and from that to wagon making, which he still follows. In connection with this he has also perfected a wind engine, which promises very favorable results. The wheel is a combination direct or gear power, a feature not universally applied to wind engines. March 5, 1894, he made application for a patent which is now pending. If successful in this he can manufacture a first-class engine for less money than any of his competitors. He also does general wood repairing, saw filing, bracket and scroll work, cabinet work, etc. He came to Homer in the fall

of 1877, when twenty-three years of age, and here his life has since been spent.

In the fall of 1878 Mr. Neaderhauser was united in marriage with Miss Roseltha E., daughter of Harrison and Helen Hawkins, old settlers of Licking County. She is the eldest of the family, and has two living brothers. One brother, Franklin, and a sister, Marion, are deceased. In religious belief Mr. and Mrs. Neaderhauser are identified with the Presbyterian Church, the services of which they regularly attend, and in the maintenance of which they are liberal contributors.

As a citizen Mr. Neaderhauser may always be relied upon to support such measures as have for their object the promotion of the best interests of the people. He is a man of highest integrity and force of character, one who commands the esteem of all with whom he has business or social relations. In his political views he is not a strict partisan, although, having given close study to the grave issues of free trade and protection, he favors the platform adopted by the Republican party, which he always supports during the National campaigns. In matters of local importance he gives his support to the candidates whom he deems best qualified to represent the people in their particular office, irrespective of party affiliations.

ROLLIN R. LUSK represents the jewelry business at Utica, where he was born November 14, 1859. The first member of the Lusk family to settle in Licking County was his grandfather, Thomas, who was born about 1803, and came to this county in an early day. He was a tanner and currier by trade and was thus engaged for many years, meeting with fair success in his enterprises. March 24, 1873, he was accidentally killed by a train at Newark. In politics he was a believer in the principles of the Republican party, prior to the organization of which he was opposed to slavery, but being an earnest member of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, he never exercised his right to cast a ballot. His wife bore the maiden name of Elizabeth Dunlap, and was born in Licking County, which continued to be her home until death.

Samuel G. Lusk, father of our subject, was born in Licking County November 24, 1833. When he was sufficiently advanced in years he assisted his father about the tannery, and for some years was interested with him in business. On the 13th of May, 1864, he was mustered into the service for one hundred days, becoming a member of Company G, One Hundred and Thirty-sixth Ohio Infantry. He did garrison duty in the defense of Washington, D. C., until August 31, 1864, when the regiment was mustered out.

After the war, the tanning business being no longer profitable, Mr. Lusk worked at the trade of a stone mason. January 4, 1883, while attempting to pick the cap from a loaded shell with a knife, the shell exploded and the knife was sent into his forehead, causing his death nine days later. While not a member of any religious denomination, he was a believer in the truths of the Christian religion. In politics he was a stanch Republican. His wife, whom he married in 1858, bore the maiden name of Amelia Platt, and was born in Knox County, Ohio, July 5, 1834, being a daughter of Paul P. Platt. She is a member of the Christian Church, and, a lady of noble qualities of head and heart, is highly esteemed by all who know her.

The parental family consisted of three children, of whom Rollin R. is the eldest; Alice, the second, and Mamie, the youngest. The last-named died in infancy. Our subject, his sister and mother reside in Utica, where they have a pleasant home. Rollin R. was educated in the public schools of this place, and at the age of sixteen years began his business career, becoming a clerk in a grocery store and later working in a drug store. In 1878 he commenced work at his trade of a jeweler at Utica, completing his studies in that line at Coshocton. In the fall of 1880 he opened a jewelry store in Utica, and now conducts the only business in this line here. Such has been the energy and integrity with which he has conducted business transactions that he has won the confidence of the

people, and has a large trade in the city and surrounding country.

In casting his ballot, Mr. Lusk has at all times supported the principles of the Republican party, and his co-operation may always be relied upon to secure the success of that political organization. Socially he affiliates with Licking Lodge No. 291, A. F. & A. M., and is a charter member of the Utica Lodge No. 555, K. P.

JAMES HOLMES, of Perry Township, belongs to the class of pioneer residents to whom so large a debt of gratitude is due from the present generation, owing, as it does, all its advantages for a higher degree of culture and the refinements of life to the noble hearts who endured privations, and during the opening years of the present century, engaged in the development of the material resources of Licking County. Though having attained to an advanced age, Mr. Holmes is still in the enjoyment of good health, and, with mind unimpaired by the flight of time, can look back over his long and busy life and rejoice, not only in the prosperity he has gained, but also in the high degree of respect in which he is held by his fellow-citizens.

In Fauquier County, Va., September 20, 1813, was born James, the son of Willis and Isabel (Redman) Holmes, both natives of the Old Dominion. There were two daughters and three sons in the family, of whom the only survivors are James and William S., the latter a prominent farmer of Clark County, Ill. In his youth our subject was a student in the primitive log school houses of Virginia, where the building and instruction were equally crude and all the appurtenances of rude construction. He had few advantages for acquiring a good education, but availed himself to the utmost of every opportunity for gaining knowledge.

Accompanying his parents to Ohio in 1825, our subject settled in Licking County twelve years later. Early beginning the battle of life, he was trained into assisting in the daily rounds of agricultural duties, and attained his majority an energetic, ambitious and self-reliant young man. June 20, 1833, he was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth Redman, the daughter of Beade and Susan (Hill) Redman. Mrs. Holmes was one of three daughters and three sons comprising the family circle, all of whom have passed from earth. By her marriage she became the mother of six children, but all are now deceased, and when on the 31st of January, 1890, she passed to the world beyond, our subject was left alone in the world. In the bereavement which fell upon him, he received the deepest sympathy of his hosts of friends, who strive, so far as possible, to cheer his declining days and render his life less lonely. Of those living in this county when he came here, few survive; his associates of those days are mostly gone, some to other states, but many to the grave.

Though now in his eighty-first year, Mr. Holmes may be seen early every morning looking after his stock and attending to needed repairs or changes on his farm. He is hale and hearty, and possessing an excellent memory, delights to recount events connected with the early history of this county. In politics he was a Whig until the disintegration of the party, since which time he has voted with the Republican party. For more than fifty years he has been a consistent member of the Regular Baptist Church, the doctrines of which he has sustained and supported, while his upright life has proved, in language more eloquent than words, the sincerity of his religious belief.

GEORGE S. FROST. In the course of his active and useful career Mr. Frost earned an enviable reputation as an enterprising agriculturist, thoughtful friend, efficient citizen and self-reliant man. His pilgrimage on earth was short. A brief span of thirty-three years separated

the cradle from the grave. Short, however, as was his life, it was filled full of good deeds and of generous acts, to which his friends now recur with pleasure. He has left in the hearts of his family and acquaintances the imperishable memory of his good name, more enduring than monuments of marble or brass.

The parents of our subject, William and Eleanor (Shrake) Frost, were both natives of Ohio, where he was born in Licking County February 22, 1861. Though his educational privileges were few in boyhood, he was ever on the alert to seize opportunities for self-culture and gained a broad fund of information. When eighteen years old he entered the employ of the late P. R. Denman, with whom he remained for several years. November 19, 1882, occurred his marriage to Miss Ida Denman, and two children blessed the union, Daisy E. and Ethel D., bright and interesting girls of ten and seven years respectively.

Mrs. Frost was born July 25, 1858, and was only four months old when she came to the farm where her life has since been passed. She is the third daughter of P. R. and Susan Denman, pioneer residents of Licking County. Her father, a man of unusual worth and business capacity, accumulated a handsome fortune and was well and favorably known throughout this part of the state. Honest and upright in all his dealings, he was the foe of wrong and the friend of the cause of justice. He passed away April 20, 1886, leaving to his friends the heritage of his honorable and useful example in life. His wife died July 16, 1884, in the faith of the Methodist Church, with which she had long been identified.

There were five children in the family of P. R. Denman, the eldest of whom, Frank, is represented on another page in this volume. Leonora was born June 26, 1821, and is the wife of John Gardner, of Fallsbury Township. Townsend was born November 20, 1851, and died on the 16th of the following month. Huldah was born August 12, 1856, and died September 29, 1856. Ida is the youngest. Soon after the marriage of Mr. Frost, his father-in-law removed to Newark and left him to superintend the farm, which he managed until his death, May 15, 1894. Though not identified with any denomination, he was a moral and upright man and one of his favorite books was the Bible. Politically he was an advocate of Republican principles and for two years prior to his death he held the office of Justice of the Peace.

JACOB J. YOAKAM, a prominent farmer of Burlington Township, was born a mile east of his present home March 2, 1846. He is the son of Jonathan and Maria (Bailey) Yoakam. The former, who was born in Randolph County, Va., December 14, 1815, came to Licking County at the age of about twenty-one and still lives in the vicinity, making his home with his children. The mother, whose birth occurred in Muskingum County, Ohio, in 1820, died in Burlington Township eleven years ago.

The marriage of Jonathan and Maria Yoakam, which was solemnized in Muskingum County in 1843, resulted in the birth of six sons and two daughters, of whom one son and one daughter are deceased. Samuel, the eldest, who served through the entire period of the Rebellion as a member of Company H, Seventy-sixth Ohio Infantry, received injuries for which he is now pensioned; he married Celesta White and resides in Homer, his occupation being that of a farmer. Jacob J. is the second in order of birth. William, who married Estella Conditt, went west, but returned to Homer, where he died about 1887. Nancy, Mrs. Horace Taylor, died in 1893, after having become the mother of two children. Curtis, who married Emma Shipt, resides near Homer and is engaged in farming. John, whose wife bore the maiden name of Ella Clarke, is a produce merchant at Fredericksburg, Ohio. Moses, who married Belinda Sellers, is a produce merchant at Columbus, Ohio; Amanda became the wife of William Shadwell, a farmer residing near Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

The early years of our subject were spent on his father's farm in Burlington Township. After having secured a common-school education, he began life for himself as a farmer. In 1868 he married

Miss Mary, daughter Joseph Johnson, an early settler and prominent farmer of Knox County, Ohio, but now deceased. She was one of eleven children, all of whom are now living, the youngest being about thirty-five years of age. Four children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Yoakam, Franklin Owen, Elmer LeGrand, Ulla Maude and Arthur J. Franklin married Lillie Woodruff, and Elmer chose as his wife Miss Bertie Hunter. Ulla is now the wife of Charles Hatfield.

The two eldest sons are engaged in the mercantile business at Homer, where they carry on a general store stocked with everything usually kept in a place of that size. They also have a meat market. They are intelligent young business men, whose industry and close application will undoubtedly bring them success and prosperity in the near future. For ten years their father was engaged in merchandising at the same stand, and sold out to the sons in 1890, since which time they have paid for the stock.

For four years Mr. Yoakam owned and operated two steam saw mills, one at Utica, the other at Homer, in each of which he had a half-interest. Since retiring from the mercantile business he has erected a beautiful residence at Homer and has as fine a home as can be found anywhere in the town. Two of his sons are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Socially he is identified with Sycamore Valley Lodge No. 563, I. O. O. F., at Brandon. In his political views he a stanch Republican and upon that ticket has been elected to a number of local offices. For two terms he has filled the position of Township Trustee and has also held the office of Township Treasurer for one term.

ARTHUR WYETH, an agriculturist of intelligence and influence, residing in Liberty Township, is numbered among the progressive and energetic young men of Licking County. He owns and operates the land comprising what was formerly known as the DeCrow farm and including one hundred and sixty acres. The soil is under a high state of cultivation, and a number of neat farm buildings have been erected; modern machinery has been introduced and all the improvements have been made that mark a first-class farm.

In the township where he now lives the subject of this sketch was born February 16, 1866, to Stillman S. and Libbie (Wright) Wyeth, natives respectively of Massachusetts and Licking County, Ohio. The family of which he is a member consists of five sons and one daughter, all of whom are living with the exception of Morton. They are, Newton; Clinton E.; Jennie, wife of O. H. McConoughey; Arthur and Charles L. The father of this family accompanied his parents to Ohio in 1837, settling with them in McKean Township, Licking County, where he grew to manhood upon a farm. Receiving the advantages of a common-school education, he was for a number of winters employed in teaching school, in which profession he was very successful. He entered upon the active career of a farmer when about twenty-one years old and continued thus employed during the summer seasons, while the winter months were devoted to teaching. He purchased one hundred and fifty-two acres, to which he added by subsequent purchase one hundred acres, the whole when improved constituting one of the best farms of the county. There his death occurred April 1, 1891, at the age of sixty-one years. His widow still survives, making her home in Liberty Township.

The paternal grandfather of our subject was named David Wyeth, and was a native of Massachusetts, where for some years he engaged in farming. His death occurred in 1879, at the age of seventy-eight years. He was a man of medium height, genial in manner and upright in character, one who by his habits of industry and perseverance gained the esteem of his associates. In early life he joined the Baptist Church, but in later years identified himself with the Methodist Church. His family numbered nine children. Our subject's maternal grandfather, Jacob Wright, was born in Pennsylvania and in an early day came to Licking County, Ohio, where he engaged in farming until his death, at the age of about eighty. In religious belief he was a Methodist. His character was above

reproach, and he was highly respected in this community.

The subject of this sketch was born and reared upon his father's farm in Liberty Township, receiving his primary education in the district school and afterward attending the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware for four years. He then taught school for a few years and was afterward in the mail service as railway postal clerk, resigning the latter position at his father's death in order to take charge of the estate. On the 24th of October, 1888, he married Miss Allie, daughter of Wilson and Mary (Kasson) Butte, and two children have come to bless their home, Cleo and Claude. Politically Mr. Wyeth is an advocate of Republican principles, supporting the nominees and measures of that party. He and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which he is serving as Trustee and Steward, also as Superintendent of the Sunday-school.

AUSTIN G. ASHBROOK. The wholesale grocery house of Ashbrook & Co. was established in Newark June 1, 1864, and having continued in business for thirty consecutive years, the firm now enjoys the distinction of being the oldest in its special line in the city. The business was founded by the subject of this sketch, who a few months after opening the store took into partnership his father, Absalom P., and the connection then begun has continued to the present day.

The Ashbrook family is of remote Scotch descent, and was represented for several generations in the North of Ireland. The paternal grandfather of our subject, the Rev. Eli Ashbrook, was a Virginian, and in 1814 removed with his family to Fairfield County, Ohio, becoming the first minister in that and Licking Counties. He attained a great age, having rounded out a century at the time of his death. Among his children, six sons and six daughters, was Absalom P., a native of the Old Dominion, born December 12, 1807. He was a mere lad when he came to Ohio, where the remainder of his life has been passed. Learning the trade of a tanner, he for many years carried on a successful business at Johnstown, Ohio. In 1864 he disposed of that enterprise in order to join with his son in the wholesale grocery trade. He has been a man of temperate habits, and consequently possesses a robust constitution. For eighty-six years of his life he was without sickness, a record of which he may well be proud.

In politics, Absalom P. Ashbrook was a supporter of the Whig party until its disintegration. When the Republican party was born, he at once identified himself with it, and has since supported its platform. He has always had the courage of his convictions, expressing his opinions freely and with resolute spirit. Though ever ready to use his influence for his party's candidates, he would never accept office, preferring to concentrate his attention upon his personal affairs. He commenced for himself without a dollar, and after attaining his majority, worked for three years at $5 per month. From this small compensation he saved a sufficient amount to purchase four acres at Johnstown, and there he established a tannery. He now owns a pleasant home on Locust Street, and other valuable real estate.

The lady whom A. P. Ashbrook chose as his life companion was Miranda, daughter of the Rev. George De Bolt, a native of France, who after coming to the United States, settled in Fairfield County, Ohio. He married a German lady, and they reared four sons and four daughters, among the former being the late Judge Reason De Bolt, of Missouri. Mrs. Ashbrook is still living, being now (1894) seventy-seven years old. She has reared three children: Olivia, wife of George Follett, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mary, wife of R. P. Ford, Sheriff of Licking County; and Austin G.

The latter is the youngest of the family, and is a native of Ohio, having been born in Licking County, July 19, 1839. In early life he assisted his father in the tannery, but owing to lung trouble, he was obliged to desist from all work, and for some time it was feared that he would never

regain his health. Hoping to better his condition, his father purchased a farm, and there our subject, amid the invigorating influences of rural life, soon was fully restored to health. He then engaged in the grocery business at Johnstown, and later at Mt. Gilead, whence in 1864 he came to Newark, opening a wholesale grocery store on the 1st of June.

The family residence is situated at No. 111 South Third Street, and here Mr. and Mrs. Ashbrook have established a pleasant home. They have four children living, viz.: Maud, wife of Fred H. Ross; Node, who married W. F. Smith; Tulle and Joyce, who are with their parents. Two children, Cash and Otto, died in childhood. Mrs. Ashbrook was in maidenhood Mary M. Miller, and was born in Licking County, being a daughter of John H. Miller. In politics, Mr. Ashbrook is a Democrat, and has served in some important local offices, including that of President of the City Council. In addition to his other enterprises he has dealt extensively in real estate. As a citizen he is progressive, and as a business man energetic, painstaking and capable, which qualities entitle him to a rank among Newark's successful and leading residents.

W. G. TAAFEL.

WILLIAM G. TAAFEL.

WILLIAM G. TAAFEL, Foreman of the Baltimore & Ohio machine shop, at Newark, dates his residence in this place from April 10, 1880. Not only is he prominent in railroad circles, but he is also acquiring considerable prominence in the state as the patentee of the Pressure Regulator for Water, Steam, Air or Fluids of any description. The Newark Regulator Company has been organized for the purpose of manufacturing regulators, and already several hundred have been made, which are now in use in various places. The enterprise bids fair to become one of the most important in the county.

In Cumberland, Md., November 30, 1856, was born William G., son of John G. and Susan (Campbell) Taafel, natives respectively of Germany and Maryland. The father was born in Germany in 1830, and accompanied his father to the United States at the age of twelve, settling in Maryland. By trade he was a merchant tailor, and he conducted that business at Cumberland, Md., until his death, in 1865. His family numbered seven children, of whom four married and reared families. Frank was killed in 1882 on the Pittsburgh Division; he was a passenger engineer on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, and his death was the result of an accident. David is a contracting plasterer at Cumberland, Md. Our subject is the next in order of birth, while Lucy, the youngest, resides with her mother in Newark. The latter was twice married, her first husband having been John Kirkpatrick, and Frank and David were born of that union.

The subject of this sketch was reared in Cumberland and attended school until he was fifteen, after which he clerked in a general store. Ambitious, however, to acquire a better education, he devoted his evenings to study in a business college, and after having continued in that way for seven years he was graduated from that institution. At the age of eighteen he began to work at the trade of a mechanic in the Baltimore & Ohio shops, where he served an apprenticeship. In 1878 he was transferred to Grafton, W. Va., as Assistant Foreman of the machine shops, from which place he came to Newark, and two years after his arrival he was promoted to the position of Foreman of the machine shop.

October 30, 1884, Mr. Taafel was married to

Miss Elizabeth J. Weisgerber, who was born in Wheeling, W. Va., being the daughter of E. L. Weisgerber, formerly Superintendent of Machinery for the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. Mr. and Mrs. Taafel occupy the residence at No. 408 East Main Street, erected by our subject in 1889, and their household is completed by the presence of two children, Bessie and Sue. The family is identified with the English Lutheran Church, and Mr. Taafel has been Superintendent of the Sunday-school for two years.

Politically, Mr. Taafel is a Democrat. Since 1889 he has been a member of the Board of Education, of which he has been Clerk since 1890. Socially a Knight Templar Mason, he is at present the Eminent Commander of St. Luke's Commandery No. 34, K. T., and is a member of the Mystic Shrine at Cincinnati. He also affiliates with the Knights of Pythias. A man of great energy and determination, he has overcome obstacles and difficulties by determined effort, and has steadily worked his way upward to success, being now the possessor of a handsome competence. At present he is a Director in the Home Building Association Company, and at all times he may be relied upon to support enterprises of a progressive nature.

THEODORE HAINES, well known throughout Licking County as a successful agriculturist of Burlington Township, is a native of Knox County, Ohio, born January 24, 1845. His parents, John and Sarah A. (Perry) Haines, natives of Maryland, came to Ohio prior to their marriage, and settling in Knox County, reared a family of five children. Burgess H., the oldest child, married Miss Mahala Stockdale and is now a prosperous farmer of Morrow County, Ohio. Ferdinand, a soldier during the Civil War, died at Pittsburg Landing, Miss. Eliza became the wife of Wilson Reeder, a resident of Knox County, Ohio. Theodore is the next in order of birth. Isabel, the youngest, married H. M. Van Arman, an attorney of Oakland, Cal., who is also well known as a newspaper correspondent.

In the common schools of Knox County, Mr. Haines laid the foundation of the extensive information he now possesses. When about twenty years of age he embarked in business for himself, and after operating a rented farm a short time, went to Lincoln, Neb., where he bought property and conducted agricultural pursuits one year. Returning home, he was united in marriage, January 16, 1870, with Miss Mary E., the eldest child of Isaac and Sarah A. Jackson, natives of Knox County, Ohio, who were there reared and married. They had seven children, the others besides Mrs. Haines being: Sarah E., wife of William Gordon, of Knox County; George Frank, who married Lulu Ryan and engages in farming pursuits in Harper County, Kan.; Nancy Susan, wife of M. F. Cole, of Utica (see sketch on another page); Albert Mitchell, who was thrown from a horse and killed at the age of nineteen years; Amanda Anna, unmarried, who resides with her sister, Mrs. Cole; and Eva B., who married Dr. Charles Conard, a practicing physician of Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

The mother of Mrs. Haines died January 17, 1877, and Mr. Jackson afterward married a widow, Mrs. Converse, who was tenderly devoted to the welfare of her step-children until her death, August 22, 1890. Her memory is revered as a good mother and an exemplary woman by her husband's family. For his third wife Mr. Jackson married Anna Moffitt, with whom he now lives on the old homestead, where he and all his children were born. The family of Mr. and Mrs. Haines consists of two children. The only son, John W., born November 7, 1870, was educated in the common schools and at the Utica High School and Normal. For the past year he has been studying medicine, having attended a course of lectures at the Starling Medical College in Columbus. He expects to return in the fall of 1894 for a second course. In 1893 he married Miss Sybil Myers, residing at Homer, Ohio. The only daughter of Mr. Haines is S. Anna, born March 27, 1876, and now under the parental roof. She was educated in the public

schools of Burlington Township and at the Homer High School, and is an accomplished and popular young lady.

In 1873 Mr. Haines moved his family to Montgomery County, Iowa, where he bought a farm and resided one year. Then selling out, he returned to Knox County, and soon afterward bought the farm on which he now lives. Of his beautiful rural home he may well be proud, for it is one of the most attractive in the locality. With his family he holds membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church in Homer, and takes an active part in all religious work, giving of his means to the support of church and Sunday-school work, as well as other benevolent and charitable objects. Socially he is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

WILLIAM E. HOLMES, M. D., a practicing physician of Brownsville, was born October 13, 1855, in the village where he now resides. His parents, William T. and Sarah E. (Shuee) Holmes, were natives respectively of Fauquier County, Va., and Baltimore, Md., and accompanying their parents to Ohio, settled on a farm in Muskingum County, where they met and married. The father followed the business of a carpenter and contractor for several years, after which he embarked in merchandising, and later became agent for the Singer Manufacturing Company, which was his last occupation. He and his wife still reside in Brownsville.

Eight children were born to William T. and Sarah E. Holmes, of whom the following is noted: Almeda, the wife of Thomas Peyton, resides in Clark County, Ill.; Sarah E. is the widow of Adam R. Brown and resides in Newark; Mary T., a teacher for some time, died when about thirty years old; Lemuel W. is engaged in the mercantile business in Brownsville; Lucy A. was married to Dr. H. De Crow, a practicing physician of Newark; Maggie is the wife of John W. Green, a resident of Woodstock, Ohio; our subject is the next in order of birth; Nathaniel S., who is married, resides in Columbus, Ohio, and is with the White Sewing Machine Company. The children enjoyed excellent educational advantages, and all with the exception of Mrs. Brown and Lemuel have followed the profession of teaching.

In the public schools our subject gained his elementary education and afterward he took a special course in Lebanon University, near Cincinnati. For about ten years he engaged in teaching, following that profession for two years in Normal, Ill., three years at Brownsville, and several terms in one of the rural districts. Under the tutorship of Dr. J. B. Humphrey, of Brownsville, he began the study of medicine, and during the first year of his reading he taught two terms of school. The second year he attended the Medical College of Ohio at Cincinnati. On his return home he taught school, meanwhile continuing his medical readings. Entering college again in the fall he was graduated therefrom in the spring of 1884.

At once after completing his studies the Doctor opened an office for the practice of his profession in his native town, where he has since conducted a successful practice, having charge of that of his former tutor, who has removed from this place. By careful and competent work, zealous attention to professional duties, skill in the diagnosis of cases and success in their treatment, he has acquired an enviable position as an efficient and talented practitioner.

The Doctor is yet unmarried and resides under the parental roof. His father, who is now retired, was formerly an active, energetic man, doing all he could to educate his children and train them for honorable positions in life. This he did willingly, nothing being required of the children except application to their studies. He was a kind, indulgent father, whose memory will never be severed from his goodness of heart. With his wife he has long held membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church. Politically, he is a Democrat.

In religious connections our subject is a Presbyterian. Politically, he advocates the principles of

Democracy, though he is not active in public affairs, his attention being wholly devoted to professional cares. Socially he is a member of Jackson Lodge No. 85, A. F. &. A. M., with which he has been identified about five years, and in which he has held various official positions.

ABEL JOB WILSON. One of the solid financial institutions of Licking County is Wilson's Bank of Utica, which was founded in May, 1871, by A. J. Wilson, P. W. Sperry and Jesse Wilson, the firm name being Sperry & Wilson Bros. In 1887 Jesse Wilson withdrew, and two years later A. J. Wilson became the sole proprietor. From 1871 until 1890 it was the only banking house in Utica, and having always conducted a safe and successful business, it enjoys the confidence of the people to an extent seldom surpassed. Its deposits average nearly $100,000, being the largest of any bank in the county outside of the city of Newark.

The gentleman from whom the bank derives its name, and who is its proprietor, was born on a farm in Washington Township, this county, April 21, 1840. As early as 1805 his grandfather, David Wilson, removed from Virginia to Ohio, with the intention of establishing his permanent home in this state. He entered one thousand acres of land now within the corporate limits of Newark, also about two hundred acres in Washington Township. He started back to the Old Dominion to bring his family with him to Ohio, but ere he reached his destination death claimed him. Soon afterward the family came to this state and settled upon the property he had entered.

The father of our subject, Abel Wilson, was born in Hardy County, Va., and was a mere child when the family settled in Licking County. Here he aided in the pioneer task of clearing away the forest and improving the fertile soil. After attaining manhood he settled upon land entered by his father in Washington Township, and there built a log cabin and commenced the struggle necessary to secure a fertile farm from a dense forest. Soon he chose a helpmate, being united with Mary, daughter of Daniel Forry, one of Licking County's earliest settlers. Mrs. Wilson was born in Pennsylvania in 1799 and died in April, 1893, aged ninety-four years.

Being a man of indomitable energy, success rewarded the efforts of Abel Wilson, and in time he became the owner of large and valuable landed possessions, being the owner of four hundred acres of well improved land at the time of his death. In addition to general farming, he engaged in the raising of sheep and was one of the largest wool growers in the county. Firm in his support of the Union cause, during the dark days of the war his house was a station in the underground railroad, which assisted negroes on the road to liberty. At the organization of the Republican party he became one of its stalwart advocates and upon the ticket of that party he was frequently elected to local offices of trust. He passed away April 14, 1870.

Of a family of eight children born to Abel Wilson and his wife, one died young. Jerusha married P. W. Sperry, of Utica; Nancy became the wife of Frank Knowlton, of Marion, Iowa; Eliza was united in marriage with Benjamin Bowman, also a resident of Marion; Jesse makes his home in Utica; Mary, who married W. P. Dale, died in Chattanooga, Tenn., in July, 1893. A. J. is the youngest member of the family circle. He was reared upon the home farm and assisted in the work of tilling the soil, meantime receiving such educational advantages as the schools of Utica then afforded. Upon attaining his majority he removed to Utica, where he engaged in farming and speculated in various branches of business until he embarked as a banker.

It may with truth be said of Mr. Wilson that no citizen has contributed more largely to the promotion of the best interests of Utica than has he. At present (1894) he is serving his second term as Mayor, and his administration has been marked by sagacity and executive ability. Many needed reforms have been introduced and the material re-

sources of the place have been largely developed. His residence is one of the finest in the county, while in addition he owns the two largest business blocks in the city and other business property. He owns five hundred acres of farming land, upon which he has engaged in general agricultural pursuits and the raising of live stock.

In all public enterprises Mr. Wilson has been influential and prominent. He is a Republican in politics, and while never solicitious for public office, he has often represented his fellow-citizens in positions of trust. The demands of his private business, together with the discharge of his official duties, are such as to allow him little leisure for other matters, but his support may always be relied upon in measures calculated to benefit the people. In September, 1879, he married Mary E., daughter of John and Elizabeth Clark, and a native of Utica. Three children bless this union, Mary Elizabeth, Genevieve and Wilber.

JOHN C. JONES. The business interests of Newark find an efficient representative in the subject of this sketch, a life-long resident of Licking County, and at present engaged as a dealer in stoves, tinware and slate roofing. He is of direct Welsh descent, his father, Thomas J., having been born in Wales and there reared to manhood. He was the only representative of the family to settle in the United States, to which country he emigrated at the age of about twenty years, and proceeding direct to Ohio, settled in Newark Township, Licking County.

The land purchased by Mr. Jones was covered by heavy timber, on which the sound of the woodman's axe had never been heard. He built a log cabin, cleared the land and gradually placed it under good cultivation; he also introduced valuable improvements. To his original purchase he added, until his holdings amounted to one hundred and twenty acres. The primitive log cabin which served as his first dwelling place was superseded by a more modern structure, and the other farm buildings were substantially and conveniently arranged. On that place he quietly passed away at the age of seventy-five.

The maternal grandfather of our subject, Thomas Jones, was also a native of Wales, and upon coming to this country, settled in Granville Township, Licking County, where he died at an advanced age. His family consisted of five sons and three daughters, namely: John C., who resides in Granville Township; Lewis, who died in Granville; E. W., a resident of that city; David, whose death occurred in Kansas; George T., who lives in Granville; Maria, who married John Rees and died in Jefferson County, Wis.; Rachael, the wife of Robert Williams, living in Jefferson County, and Eleanor, the mother of our subject. The latter was five years old when the family left Wales for the United States. She was an earnest Christian woman and for many years was a member of the Congregational Church, in which faith she entered upon the life beyond at the age of seventy-two.

Thomas J. Jones and his wife were the parents of seven children, of whom six attained mature years, as follows: Lewis J., a farmer whose home is in Lima Township, this county; Sarah, who married James Partridge and died in Nemaha County, Kan., in 1893; John C., our subject; Ann, the wife of David Rees and a resident of West Plains, Mo.; Elizabeth, Mrs. Morris Evans, who lives in Franklin County, this state; and Hannah, who married Joseph Evans and resides in Clinton, Mo.

The subject of this sketch passed his early life upon the farm in Licking County, where his birth occurred September 15, 1842. For a time he attended the district schools and afterward completed his studies at the Granville College. At the age of twenty he entered the employ of his uncle, E. W. Jones, a dealer in stoves and tinware. Soon he became manager of the business, in which, in 1884, he succeeded his uncle. Since that time he has added other lines of business, and has gained an enviable reputation as an honest, energetic and efficient man. He and his uncle built the Jones Block in Newark, in which he now owns a one-

third interest, and half of which he occupied for business purposes. Besides this building he owns a pleasant home at No. 92 Chestnut Street and other residence property.

The lady who presides over the pleasant home of Mr. Jones was formerly Miss Mary E. Reynolds. She was born in Cattaraugus County, N. Y., and is a daughter of David Reynolds. Three children comprise their family, Albert B., Addie and Nellie. In politics Mr. Jones takes no interest other than to cast his ballot for the candidate whom he considers best fitted for the office. He is not a member of any secret society or church, but is a regular attendant at the services of the Plymouth Congregational Church, to which his wife belongs. They are prominent socially and are highly respected wherever known.

JAMES TAYLOR. In Union Township lies the fertile farm owned by Mr. Taylor, one of the successful agriculturists of the Licking Valley. He was born on the parental homestead, a portion of which he now owns, the date of his birth being December 10, 1829. The property has been in the possession of the family during almost the entire period of the present century, our subject's grandfather, James Taylor, having settled here in 1804.

With the early history of this section of Ohio, Grandfather Taylor was closely connected, and enjoyed the distinction of being one of the three first Associate Judges of Licking County. At that early day there were but a few houses in Newark, and they were constructed entirely of logs. The surrounding country was uninhabited save by a few white settlers, upon whom devolved the difficult task of clearing the land and placing the soil under cultivation.

In the organization and building of the first Presbyterian Church of Newark, James Taylor, Sr., took a prominent part, and was a member of its first Board of Trustees. He participated in the Indian wars of the early portion of this and the latter part of the eighteenth century, and was also one of the heroes of the Revolution. In the latter conflict he became separated from his brothers, who were also in the Colonial army, and their fate was never known to him, although it was the supposition that they had surrendered their lives on the altar of liberty. The Taylor family is of English ancestry, though so remote that the present generation is uncertain as to the positive origin. Grandmother Taylor was in maidenhood a Miss Cully, a Virginia lady.

The parents of our subject were John and Eliza (Fitzgerald) Taylor, the former born in Washington County, Pa., in 1797, and the latter in Shenandoah County, Va., in 1809. They were married in Licking County, and the mother, now widowed, makes her home in Pickaway County. The Fitzgerald family was represented in the War of 1812, and settled in Licking County about 1824. Mrs. Taylor is one of a large family. Her brother Richard was the engineer and surveyor who laid out the Ohio Canal and superintended a portion of its construction. Her other brothers, William, Edward and Thomas, were early settlers of Madison County, Ohio. Her sister, Mary, became the wife of Maxwell Taylor, a brother of our subject's father, and they settled in Piqua County, Ohio; of their two sons, John Edward was killed in the battle of Vicksburg, and James, formerly Probate Judge of Pickaway County, died there.

Our subject has but one brother, Thomas, a bachelor, sixty-three years old, who resides with his aged mother on a portion of the old homestead. The early life of James Taylor was spent upon the frontier in Union Township, and he has been a witness of the rapid development of this section of the state. His education, commenced in the public schools, was supplemented by years of careful reading, study and observation, so that he is exceptionally well informed on current events.

March 4, 1852, Mr. Taylor was united in marriage with Miss Lucinda, daughter of Christopher and Catherine (Simmons) Winter, who came to this county in 1839 from Washington County, Pa. Mrs. Taylor is one of a family of twelve children,

of whom four are now living. Her marriage has resulted in the birth of eight children, six of whom are now living. John Thomas, who was born in 1854, married and has two children; Eliza became the wife of John F. Moore, a son of William M. Moore, and they with their two children, Fred D. and Stella, reside on a farm near Luray, Union Township. James Maxwell, who married Miss Ackerman, of Newark, died October 3, 1888, leaving a child, Eva. Dudley, whose home is in Union Township, married a daughter of John E. Ruffner, and they are the parents of a daughter, Lulu. Lucinda died at the age of two years. George E. married Nona Cunningham, and they reside on a farm near his father. Oscar K. and Grace reside with their parents.

In political views Mr. Taylor is a Democrat, and has been prominent in local affairs for many years. He served as Justice of the Peace for twelve years, Township Trustee for six years, and Assessor for two years. With his wife he has held membership in the Baptist Church for thirty years; for a long time he has officiated as Clerk of the church and at present is a Deacon. As a farmer he has been progressive and energetic, but of late years he has retired somewhat from active labor, though he still maintains a close supervision of the estate. He is a genial, companionable gentleman, who has a host of friends in the community, and is highly esteemed by all who know him.

HIRAM CARY WARDEN. An eminent jurist, when asked what qualities contribute most to success, replied: "Some succeed by great talent, some by high connections, and some by miracle, but the majority succeed by commencing without a shilling." The subject of this sketch is a member of the last-named class, having begun his active career without means, and worked his way to prosperity solely through his own efforts. Through the exercise of perseverance and economy he has risen from an humble position in youth to a prominent rank among the men of honor and influence in Licking County. For some years he has made his home in Newark, though still retaining his connection with the agricultural interests of the county.

Throughout the entire history of the Warden family in this country, it has been noted for loyal devotion to our Government. Our subject's grandfather, Jonas Warden, enlisted in the defense of the Colonies during the War for Independence and held the rank of Captain until the close of the Revolution. A son of the latter, and father of our subject, Gabriel, was one of those who responded to his country's call at the time of the second war with England, in which he served as Captain with gallantry and courage. He was a native of Burlington, Vt., born February 16, 1777, and in the place of his birth was united in marriage with Miss Mary P. Seeley, a native of Massachusetts. After the birth of three children they removed, in 1814, from Burlington, Vt., to Licking County, Ohio, settling on a farm in Granville Township, one mile north of the village by that name. There they remained until called from earth, the father dying February 2, 1838, and the mother February 5, 1862.

In the parental family there were thirteen children, one of whom died in infancy, and twelve attained to years of maturity and became heads of families. Only four are living at this writing (1894). Hiram C. grew to manhood on the old homestead, reared to farm life. His preliminary education was acquired in the old-fashioned subscription school, and supplemented by two years' attendance at Granville College. After the death of his father he served an apprenticeship at the chairmaker's trade in Granville, being thus employed for two years. Later he worked as a journeyman at that business for a few years.

Believing that agriculture offered better opportunities than his trade, Mr. Warden began farming in 1846, and the first year operated a rented place. In 1847 he purchased seventy-five acres lying in Harrison Township, Licking County, and during the ensuing two years he cleared about ten acres of the tract. During the winter seasons he

taught singing school in order to gain the means of subsistence for himself and family and assist in making improvements on the land. At the expiration of the two years he sold the farm, having cleared $1,000 in this speculation. For a few years following he bought and sold a number of farms, frequently changing his location and with each change materially improving his financial condition.

Until 1873 Mr. Warden continued actively engaged in farming, and since his removal to Newark at that date he has been more or less engaged in agricultural pursuits, and still owns a farm. In his farming pursuits he was successful through untiring industry and good management, coupled with the assistance of his wife, in the accumulation of a handsome competency. In 1881 he bought the hotel in Newark which now bears his name. This he greatly enlarged and improved, until at the present time it has one hundred rooms and all modern conveniences.

In early life Mr. Warden was a Whig, his first Presidential vote having been cast for Gen. W. H. Harrison in 1840. Since the organization of the Republican party he has ardently supported its men and measures. However, he is not a politician in the ordinary use of that word, and has never sought nor desired office. November 20, 1842, at the Baptist Church in Granville, he was united in marriage with Miss Mary A., daughter of John and Mary (Hartman) Lond, both of whom were natives of Pennsylvania, where their daughter was born January 19, 1826. She is of German descent and came to Granville with her parents when five years of age.

To Mr. and Mrs. Warden have been born four children. Ann Maria was born October 15, 1843, and died June 30, 1867. Charles Hiram, who was born August 22, 1848, married Miss Lillian Granger, and they have three living children: Annie, Gertrude and Charles C.; their home is in Granville Township, where he is engaged in farming. Frank Gabriel, who was born December 9, 1857, is represented elsewhere in this volume. Fred Downie, the youngest child, was born October 9, 1859, and on the 8th of September, 1868, was instantly killed by a log rolling on him. Mr. and Mrs. Warden have travelled life's journey together for fifty-two years, and are still hale and hearty, although they have labored hard all their lives. Both became members of the Baptist Church before they were married and have ever been true to the faith.

HARRY E. HARRIS. The Utica *Herald*, of which this gentleman is editor and proprietor, was founded in February, 1878, by C. M. Hane, who in 1881 was succeeded by Mr. Harris. The paper is a six-column quarto, devoted to the local interests of the community, and a prominent organ of the Republican party in this section. It is recognized as one of the leading journals of the county, and through its support of progressive measures has materially enhanced the prosperity of the locality.

Referring to the personal history of Mr. Harris, we find that he traces his lineage to James Harris, the progenitor of the New Jersey branch of the family, who was born close to the border of Wales, in Bristol, Somersetshire, England. About 1725 he emigrated to America and settled with the Essex County colony in New Jersey. He married, and reared a family of six sons and one daughter. The genealogical history of the family has been published by Mrs. Sarah J. (Harris) Keifer, of Spring Green, Wis., and may be found in various public and private libraries.

The father of our subject, Perry A. Harris, was a son of Samuel B. and Mary (Eastman) Harris, and was born in Clay Township, Knox County, Ohio, November 17, 1827. When a boy he removed with the family to Eden Township, Licking County, and remained under the parental roof until 1847. In the spring of 1848 he went to Martinsburg to learn the trade of a harness-maker, which, however, he abandoned two years later on account of weakness of the eyes. In August, 1850, he entered a woolen factory in Newark. July 29, 1852, he opened a grocery store at Vanatta, but

in 1853 he went to St. Louisville, where he bought a stock of goods for $115. To this small beginning he constantly added until his stock was valued at $5,000.

October 16, 1854, Perry A. Harris married Elizabeth E. Myers, and they reared four children, Laura Ellen, Harry E., Mary Adelaide and Harriet E. For nineteen years the father was Postmaster at St. Louisville, and always supported the principles of the Republican party. His death occurred August 31, 1892. His widow still resides at the old home in that place. Socially he affiliated with the Masonic fraternity. He was a believer in the Christian religion, and attended divine services regularly. In his enterprises he met with more than ordinary success, and had disposed of his business interests but a few months prior to his death. His eldest daughter, Laura Ellen, married F. M. Smith, and died in Fostoria. Mary Adelaide became the wife of J. C. Jones, a lawyer of Toledo. Harriet E. is a stenographer and compositor at Mt. Vernon.

In St. Louisville, Ohio, the subject of this sketch was born August 22, 1859. In the common schools and the Utica Normal he acquired a fair education, to which he has since added by a systematic course of study. When a mere lad he purchased a printing outfit and opened an office, soon commencing the publication of an amateur paper. At that time there were about two hundred such sheets published in various parts of the United States, and as they all exchanged papers, it not only furnished amusement, but much practical knowledge as well.

Somewhat later Mr. Harris worked in the office of the Newark *Banner* and became so proficient in the business, that in 1879 he went to Bangor, Mich., and became foreman in the office of the *Reflector*, also serving as Deputy Postmaster in that city. In 1881 he came to Utica and purchased the *Herald*, which he has since published. From boyhood he has supported with loyal enthusiasm the principles of the Republican party. He was elected City Clerk of Utica, and had just entered upon his second term, when he resigned to accept the office of Postmaster under the administration of President Harrison. He has served as Secretary of the various Republican clubs of Utica, and has frequently represented his party as delegate in county, district and state conventions. He is also a Notary Public.

In July, 1881, Mr. Harris was united in marriage with Bertha, daughter of Stephen and Margaret McMillan, the former a prominent citizen of Dowagiac, Mich., where he is largely interested in road horses, and also carries on the business of shoeing fast horses. Mrs. Harris was born in Keelersville, Mich., and is an amiable lady, presiding with grace and hospitality over her pleasant home. She is a member of the Presbyterian Church, with which Mr. Harris is also identified. They became the parents of three children, one of whom died in infancy. The others are, Beatrice, born November 10, 1887, and Marguerite, June 9, 1892.

HON. GEORGE IDEN. This eminent statesman of Ohio, to whom belongs the distinction of being the first Republican State Senator elected from the Fifteenth and Sixteenth Joint Senatorial District, has been a resident of Newark since 1880, and Licking County claims him as one of its most popular citizens. He was first elected to his present responsible position in the fall of 1891, receiving a majority of six. So acceptable were his services to his constituents, irrespective of party affiliations, that two years later he was re-elected with a majority of twenty-two hundred and sixteen. This fact alone, without further comment, proves his popularity with the people and the high character of his services.

Senator Iden is a native of Licking County, having been born in Hanover Township, July 9, 1845, to Randolph and Matilda (Houser) Iden. His father, a son of Samuel Iden, was born in Virginia of German descent, and grew to manhood upon a farm in the Old Dominion. After his

marriage he came to Ohio, about 1830, sojourning for a time in Hopewell Township, Licking County, where he rented farming land. Later he was similarly engaged in Hanover Township. The family was poor on coming to this state, to which they had journeyed in wagons, bringing with them all their household effects. They lived in a log cabin for several years, and amid great obstacles gained a livelihood and cleared a farm.

In August, 1846, the father passed from earth and his body was interred in the cemetery at Gratiot, Ohio. The widowed mother was left with nine children, the youngest of whom (our subject) was but thirteen months old. Of the others we note the following: Miranda married James K. Brown, and died in Hanover, Ohio; Eliza, the wife of George Brown, resides in Newark; Jonathan, a farmer by occupation, died in Battle Creek, Mich.; Hannah married Stephen Francis, and makes her home on a farm in Hanover Township; Mary, Mrs. B. B. Francis, died in Newark; Randolph is a shoemaker at Utica, Ohio; Matilda, Mrs. Samuel G. Skinner, lives at Union Station; Thomas is a salesman in a store at Newark. After the death of Randolph Iden, our subject's mother married Henry Bounds, later continuing to make her home in Hanover Township until her death. She was an exemplary woman and a devoted member of the Christian Church. Her memory lives in the hearts of her children, who owe to her careful and wise training their success in life. Senator Iden, in looking back over the events that have shaped his career and contributed to his success, recognizes the influences of his mother in moulding his character and implanting within his mind the loftiest principles of honor.

In his youth our subject lived on a farm with his mother and step-father. Attending the district schools regularly and studying diligently, he naturally was always at the head of his class. In September, 1864, he enlisted in the service of the Union army, his name being enrolled as a member of Company F, Ninety-fifth Ohio Infantry, and in this he served until August, 1865. Among the important engagements in which he participated was the battle of Nashville under General Thomas, December 15, 1864. From March 27 to April 9, he was in the rear of Mobile at Spanish Fort.

Returning home at the close of the war, Mr. Iden attended school at Hayesville, Ohio, and later completed a commercial course at Capital City Commercial College. For the fifteen years ensuing he devoted the winter seasons to teaching and the summers to farm work. He then removed to Newark, and for three years taught penmanship and bookkeeping in the public schools of that place. He was appointed Assistant Clerk in the Ohio Penitentiary and served in that capacity for two years, after which he was employed as bookkeeper in the Master Mechanic's office of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. In the fall of 1891, he was elected to the Ohio State Senate, and two years later was chosen as his own successor, carrying every county in the district and running ahead of Governor McKinley.

During his first term, Senator Iden was Chairman of the Committees on Military Affairs, Labor and Geological Survey. At the present time he is serving as Chairman of the Committee on Public Works and Public Lands. To all bills favoring the laboring classes he gives his hearty support, for he himself, being a representative of that class, appreciates the obstacles with which they are obliged to contend. In the contest between ex-Governor Foraker and Senator Sherman for the position of United States Senator, he gave his support to Hon. John Sherman. It was largely through his efforts that an appropriation was secured making the permanent encampment for this county an assured fact. No senator has secured more effective and needed legislation than he, and certainly no member of that body stands higher or wields a more extensive influence in its deliberations. He has been an untiring advocate of all worthy measures in the interests of the agriculturists and laboring men of the state, and to his efforts more than to those of any other member are attributable the many deserving measures that were placed upon our statute books.

Reared in the faith of the Democratic party, Senator Iden was for some years a member of that political organization, but in mature life his views concerning free trade underwent a decided change,

and he linked his fortunes with those of the Republican party. In local affairs he has always maintained a deep interest, and has served as Township Assessor and as a member of the City Council. In 1869 he married Miss Sananthus, daughter of Jonas Stump, of Muskingum County, Ohio, where she was born. The only child of this union, Emily Blanche, died at the age of ten months. Socially, Senator Iden affiliates with the Grand Army of the Republic, being the present Commander of Lemert Post No. 71. He is also identified with the Knights of Labor.

CAPT. JOHN H. McCUNE. There is nothing of more interest to the general reader than a perusal of the life record of one who has won for himself friends and fortune, unaided by fortuitous circumstances or the prestige of family, and according to this principle a brief account of Captain McCune cannot fail to be interesting. He ranks among the most successful business men of Newark, and is well known as the senior member of the firm of McCune, Owens & Co., wholesale and retail dealers in hardware, carriages and building material.

The name of McCune has been conspicuous in the business circles of Newark for more than fifty years. In 1840 John McCune, our subject's uncle, engaged in the hardware business in this city. Twelve years later our subject entered his employ as a clerk, and in 1858, associated with his brother Frank, succeeded John McCune in the business under the firm title of McCune Bros., continuing thus engaged until 1879. They then sold to John E. Dean & Co. In 1880 Captain McCune purchased the hardware establishment of George B. Sprague & Co., which five years later was consolidated with Burner Bros., when the firm became Burner, McCune & Co.

In 1888 the firm of Burner, McCune & Co. was succeeded by the present firm of McCune, Owens & Co., the members at present being Capt. John H. McCune, E. R. Owens and O. W. Crane. This is the only wholesale hardware business in the city, and the proprietors, through efficiency in their transactions and honorable dealings, have gained the confidence of all with whom business relations have brought them into contact. It will be of interest to the reader to learn the details of the life of the gentleman whose name is inseparably associated with the growth of this business.

Captain McCune was born in Brattleboro, Vt., May 5, 1840, and his ancestors for several generations had been residents of New England. His parents were Charles and Elizabeth (Sikes) McCune, the former a hardware merchant in Brattleboro, Vt., who for about fifteen years conducted a similar business in Hartford, Conn. His death occurred in the Green Mountain State at the age of fifty-six. He had three sons and one daughter. Charles was a bookkeeper in New York City, and died in Brattleboro, Vt.; Frank G. came to Newark in 1858, and was associated in business with our subject until 1879, when he went to Columbus, Ohio, and engaged in the boot and shoe trade until his death, in January, 1893; and Elizabeth married Charles F. Thompson, and resides in Brattleboro.

The youngest member of the family is the subject of this sketch, who was only twelve years old when his father died. He attended the common schools in childhood, and at the age of thirteen years came to Newark, where he engaged with his uncle as clerk, and so continued until 1858, when he became his successor in business. In September, 1861, he enlisted and was mustered into service with Company H, Thirty-first Ohio Infantry, of which he was commissioned First Lieutenant. His first engagement was at Mill Springs, after which he went to Corinth, and he was then promoted to the rank of Captain. As such he led his company in the battles of Stone River, Perryville, Chickamauga and Mission Ridge, and later served on the staff of the following generals: Schoepf, S. S. Fry, James B. Steadman and Baird. He returned home in February, 1864, and resumed his business, which his brother had carried on during his absence.

In September, 1866, Captain McCune and Miss Ella P. Brown were united in marriage. Mrs. Mc-

Cune is the daughter of Dixon Brown, formerly a dry-goods merchant at Somerset, Ohio. Four children bless this union, Nellie B., Charles D., Alice and Julia. The eldest daughter was educated at London, Canada, and Northampton, Mass., and is an accomplished young lady. The family residence, at No. 144 North Fifth Street, is one of the finest in the city, containing all the modern improvements, and furnished with an elegance and good taste indicative of the refinement and culture of the inmates. Politically the Captain supports the principles of the Republican party, and socially affiliates with the Grand Army of the Republic. His religious connections are with the Second Presbyterian Church of Newark, which his family also attends.

SIDNEY A. CHAPMAN enjoys the distinction of being the oldest merchant in Licking County. He embarked in the mercantile business at Utica September 12, 1845, and has occupied the same building since 1862. Not only is he the oldest, but also the leading merchant of the city, and such has been the integrity of his life and the reliability of his transactions, that he enjoys the confidence of the people to an extent seldom surpassed. He came to Utica as early as 1837, and is now, with one exception, the oldest surviving resident of the place.

Born in Ellington, Tolland County, Conn., October 7, 1822, our subject is of the ninth generation from Robert Chapman, the progenitor of the family in America. Robert Chapman was a native of Wales, and was one of the Pilgrims who landed at Plymouth Rock in 1620. The subject of this sketch assisted his father and several others in compiling and publishing the genealogy of the Chapman family, 1620–1857, which can be found in various public and private libraries.

Hon. Salathiel Chapman, father of our subject, was a native of Saybrook, Conn., and was reared on a farm. When seventeen years of age he engaged in buying furs in New York, Pennsylvania and other states, and for one year purchased furs for John Jacob Astor, with whom he was well acquainted. About 1820, at Ellington, Conn., he embarked in the manufacture of muslin, and in his factory employed over one hundred and fifty hands. For some years he carried on a very successful trade, but he finally sustained heavy losses and in 1835 failed in business.

It thus became necessary for Mr. Chapman to begin the struggle of life anew. In 1835, leaving his family in Connecticut, he went to Mansfield, Ohio, where some of his friends and former schoolmates were in business. They furnished him with a team, wagon and goods, and he traveled over the country peddling, and was known as the uncurrent peddler, from the fact that he dealt in uncurrent paper money. In 1837 his family joined him at Utica, and in 1844, associated with his son George, he established a general store in Utica, being a partner in the business during the remainder of his life. His death occurred while on a social and business trip to Connecticut, in July, 1861.

In politics Mr. Chapman was an old-line Whig, and represented his county in the State Legislature of Connecticut for two terms. His wife, whose maiden name was Susan Crosby, was born in Connecticut and was twice married. By her first husband, Jonathan Chapman, she had three children, namely: Melissa, who became the wife of Thomas Whiting and died in Ellington, Conn.; Julia, who married Lyman Ransom and died in Illinois, and George. The latter accompanied the family to Utica, and was engaged in business here until 1846, when he went to New York City and became an importer and jobber of notions. He was very successful, and finally retired to Morristown, N. J., where he died in December, 1892, at the age of seventy-seven years.

After the death of her first husband, Mrs. Chapman married his cousin, Salathiel Chapman, whom she survived nearly two years, her death occurring

in May, 1863. By this marriage she became the mother of three children, viz.: Elizabeth, who married W. A. Robertson and died in Utica; Christiana, who married Dr. James J. Bausley and died in Newark, and our subject. The last-named was reared in Ellington, and early in life worked in the factory owned by his father. In 1837 he accompanied the family to Ohio, and the following year secured a position as clerk in a general store of A. P. Stone & Co., at Columbus. When his father and brother embarked in business at Utica, he entered their employ, his special duty being the purchase of new stock. In 1847 he became a partner in the business, the firm name being S. Chapman & Son. Soon after the death of his father he purchased the interest of the estate in the business, and since then has been sole proprietor. He has conducted a successful and profitable trade, and is in comfortable circumstances. However, he has had his share of reverses, and upon the few occasions when he has interested himself in other enterprises than that of merchandising, he has simply realized experience, and that at a high figure.

Mr. Chapman has been twice married. In November, 1844, he was united with Mary Jane, daughter of James and Martha Huntsberry. This lady was born at Mt. Vernon, Ohio, and died in that city in 1847, leaving one daughter, Ella, who became the wife of Dennis Quade, and died in Mt. Vernon. In 1848 our subject married Eliza, daughter of Nathaniel and Ann Fuller, and a native of Utica. Seven children resulted from this union, of whom one died in infancy, and one in childhood. Five are now living, as follows: Frank F., who resides with his parents; Robert E., clerk in a wholesale house in Evansville, Ind.; Mary A., wife of Charles Sperry, of Ashley, Ohio; Harry S., a merchant in New Hampshire, Auglaize County, Ohio, and Charles A., bookkeeper in a wholesale house in Evansville, Ind.

Politically, Mr. Chapman affiliates with the Republican party, but takes no further interest in politics than to cast his vote for the men and principles of that party. He has served as a member of the City Council, and occupied other positions of trust, in all of which he has rendered faithful service. In his religious belief he is a Presbyterian, and cheerfully contributes to all projects having for their object the advancement of the city religiously, morally, socially and along business lines.

JOHN OLDHAM, a well known business man of Brownsville, was born in Washington County, Pa., March 3, 1814, and came to this state in 1821, settling near Cambridge, where he learned his trade. It is worthy of note that he has been engaged in the manufacture and sale of harness at Brownsville for sixty years, having become a resident of this place in 1834. During this long period he has witnessed the wonderful growth of Licking County, and by his progressive spirit has materially advanced the best interests of the community.

The Oldham family originated in Oldhamshire, England, and was established in this country in the sixteenth century. Two brothers, John and William Oldham, emigrated to America from Oldhamshire and settled on a Jersey plantation, where John was killed by the Indians. William, who settled in what is now New Jersey, was our subject's great-grandfather. The date of his arrival in America was 1634. Grandfather Oldham followed the trail of the soldiers of the Indian War and settled at West Alexandria, known generally in the early days as "Hard Scrabble."

The birthplace of the father of our subject, Robert Oldham, was near Little York, Pa. The mother, who bore the maiden name of Martha Morrison, was born in the town of Little York and died in Guernsey County, Ohio. Her parents, who were of Irish and Welsh nativity, came to this country at an early period in its history. Her sister married a relative of General Burgoyne and removed to Canada, where all traces of the family are lost. The father of our subject died in Union County, this state.

November 4, 1836, John Oldham was united in marriage with Miss Phœbe Dumm, who was born at Zanesville, Ohio. Her father, Jacob Dumm, re-

moved from Bedford County, Pa., to Zanesville, Ohio, in 1806. She and her mother taught an industrial school in Brownsville for about two years, giving instruction in needle work, and her mother also teaching the rudiments of education. They occupied an old church, and at one time had fifty or more pupils.

Seven children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Oldham, who are now living, and three died in infancy or childhood. Ellen T., the widow of Thomas Tippett, resides with her parents; Lide M. is the wife of Albert Robinson, a merchant in Albany, Tuscarawas County, Ohio; Charles A. is in the drug business at Kansas City, Mo.; Benjamin T., a resident of Birmingham, Ala., is engaged in the tobacco and brewing business; Lizzie M., who formerly served as Deputy County Auditor of Muskingum County, Ohio, is now employed as deputy in the office of the Treasurer of that county; Minnie married Charles Burton and lives in Indianapolis, where Mr. Burton is buyer for a large manufacturing plant; Allie is a clerk in the wholesale mercantile house of Boggs & Buell, Allegheny City, Pa.

At the time Mr. Oldham came to Brownsville the National Pike was in process of construction, having been completed as far as Hebron. Brownsville was then a prosperous town, with four hotels and a large number of stores. This village was the best wheat market in Licking County, as very little produce was handled from Newark during the winter months, though when the canal was open Newark was a formidable rival to Brownsville.

An intelligent and observing gentleman, Mr. Oldham is considered an authority upon all matters pertaining to his town and county. In his younger days he was correspondent for a number of local papers, and these articles, some of which he keeps on file, evince a thorough knowledge of public affairs and an aptitude in the use of language. It was at his suggestion that the bill was passed regulating the time of disbursing taxes, requiring semi-annual payments, thus keeping more money in circulation and greatly benefiting business men. He has written able articles upon the now all-absorbing labor question, and his logic was not only sound, but almost prophetical. For a man of his years his mind is clear and memory excellent.

A Democrat in political faith, Mr. Oldham is especially well informed, not only on present affairs, but also on the history of the past. As a critic of public affairs his lash is wielded without regard to whom it may hit. He has been aggressive in political affairs, and has been quite noted as a stump speaker. His early political affiliations were with the Whigs, and he assisted in organizing the Republican party. He stood by that organization until after the Civil War, when he left the party by reason of the passage of unsatisfactory currency measures. If such a combination can exist, he may be said to be a free coinage Democrat and a tariff Republican.

For sixteen years Mr. Oldham served as Treasurer of Bowling Green Township, during which time he received and disbursed many hundred thousand dollars. He also served eight years as Postmaster at Brownsville, during the administrations of Presidents Harrison and Tyler. Socially he is identified with Jackson Lodge No. 85, A. F. & A. M., of Brownsville, in which he has held every position except Worshipful Master, which he has always declined. Having been identified with this lodge for fifty-two years, he now enjoys the distinction of being its oldest member. For many years he has been connected with the Methodist Protestant Church, and has always sustained the reputation of an honest man and consistent Christian. Though old age is creeping on, he is still jovial and hospitable as in days of yore, and always views things from the brightest side.

JOSEPH CONARD, a wealthy retired farmer of Burlington Township, Licking County, was born August 7, 1819, on the farm where he now lives, and is therefore at the present writing (August 7, 1894) seventy-five years of age. His parents, Nathan and Hannah (Butcher)

Conard, were born, reared and married in Loudoun County, Va., whence in 1805 they removed to Knox County, Ohio, and about two years later located on the farm where Joseph now lives. Here they died, the father at the age of seventy-five years and six months, and the mother when almost ninety-three. The Conard family originated in Germany.

Ten children were born to Nathan and Hannah Conard, only four of whom are now living. John, the eldest, died near Dayton, Ohio, when about sixty-two; Jonah died near St. Louisville, Licking County, at the age of about sixty-one; Sarah, Mrs. David Duke, died near Johnstown, Ohio, aged seventy years; Mahlon, now eighty-five years old, lives near Fredonia, Ohio; Amos, who is four-score and three years old, makes his home in Monticello, Ill.; Elizabeth, who never married, died at seventy-four years of age; Annie, who married Enoch Selby, died at our subject's home, aged seventy-four; Nathan departed this life in Missouri when sixty-eight; our subject is the next in order of birth; and Cyrus, who lives on an adjoining farm, is now seventy-one.

When Nathan Conard came to Licking County, this was the extreme western frontier. He settled in the timber among the Indians and wild animals. At the time of his "cabin raising," all the men that could be mustered in the whole community numbered nine. He witnessed the hardships incident to the War of 1812, also the devastation that followed the Indian troubles in the early part of the century, and also lived to see the Mexican War. His death occurred in 1854, at an advanced age.

In boyhood the subject of this sketch attended the subscription schools, which were usually conducted in an abandoned cabin by some man having a knowledge of the elements of the three R's. The "master" boarded around and usually received about $12 per month; the greater the number of pupils, the less the expense per capita. A student was graduated when he reached the "rule of three;" there was then no need of more learning. Grammar was taught only to girls and "tenderfoot" young men who desired a professional education.

Beginning active life as a farmer, Mr. Conard has always followed that occupation. He was thirty-five when his father died, and had at that time a snug little property, the result of his own industry and frugality. He inherited a portion of the estate, and has continued to accumulate until he is now very well-to-do. A life-long Republican, Mr. Conard enjoys the distinction of having voted for both William Henry and Benjamin Harrison, and says he will continue to vote the Republican ticket if he lives to be a hundred. In his religious views he is liberal, never having been connected with any church, but has given liberally of his means to the support of the Gospel.

A genial, companionable old gentleman, Mr. Conard is living at peace with all the world. While he was never married, the voices of children have been heard about his house. At present his nephew's family reside with him. Two of his nephews, sons of Amos Conard, were soldiers during the late Rebellion, Hiram serving more than three years, and David a somewhat shorter term. His maternal grandfather, John Butcher, was killed by the Indians during the Revolution. Nathan Conard was one of the frontier guards during the War of 1812, at which time married men with families on the frontier were constituted the frontier guard to protect the settlements from Indian incursions. He gave one of the volunteers a horse to ride in the war, and the animal was returned to him in safety after the war was over. Many a pleasant ride did our subject in boyhood take upon the old warrior. There was a large block house built in the neighborhood for protection against the Indians, and this stood as a relic for many years after the last Indian had been removed.

It is both interesting and instructive to hear Mr. Conard recount incidents connected with the pioneer history of Licking County, and none of his stories are more entertaining than those connected with the old log schoolhouse where he was "educated." Could such a building be reproduced at present, it would astonish this generation. Imagine a crude structure of logs, a clapboard roof held on by weight poles, floors of puncheon, chimney built of sticks and mud, fireplace large enough to admit a seven-foot log, and for windows an ap-

erture between logs covered with greased paper. Seats were made of puncheons or logs split into wide strips resembling boards, and these were placed high enough from the floor to accommodate the longest-legged boy, but the little fellows sat with feet dangling in mid-air. The master ruled with the power of superior physical strength. His whips were birch or hickory gads, thoroughly seasoned and toughened by being run into the fire and twisted into withes. As may be supposed, a whipping was a punishment to be dreaded and long remembered. Looking back upon those days and recalling the many wonderful changes the century has wrought, Mr. Conard may feel a just pride in the part he has taken in the work of developing the county and its resources.

BENJAMIN C. STIMSON, M. D.

Benjamin Cheney Stimson, M. D.

BENJAMIN CHENEY STIMSON, M. D., has been engaged in the practice of the medical profession at Alexandria for a longer period than any other practitioner of this place, and he is one of the oldest physicians of Licking County as well. He was born near Essex Junction, Chittenden County, Vt., July 20, 1820, being a son of Stephen and Abigail (Shaw) Stimson, natives respectively of Massachusetts and Jericho, Vt. Our subject's grandfather was a native of Massachusetts, and thence some years previous to his marriage he removed to Vermont and settled in Chittenden County.

The father of our subject was born August 8, 1795, and on the 5th of December, 1818, in Vermont, he was united in marriage with Miss Abigail Shaw, whose birth occurred in that state July 16, 1799. In the fall of 1833 he removed to Ohio, and after a short sojourn in the northern part of the state came to Homer and settled on rented land. In the spring of 1834, he purchased land in the "big" woods of Knox County, where he built a log house and commenced the clearing of the land. Afterward he resided for several years near Mt. Liberty, Knox County, upon a farm. Thence he removed to Pagetown, afterward cultivated a farm near Sparta, thence went to New Albany, where his death occurred in 1861. His wife passed away December 20, 1860.

Stephen Stimson was a mechanic, and while thus engaged built a number of sawmills. In early life he obtained a work on the Thompsonian practice, which turned his attention to medicine. From the ideas there gained he laid the foundation of the extensive medical information afterward acquired by him. He became a popular physician and devoted his attention largely to this profession. Being a man of kind heart and liberal nature, he saved little money and died comparatively poor. In politics he was first a Whig and later a Republican. In religious belief he and his wife were identified with the Presbyterian Church.

In the parental family there were four daughters and six sons, all of whom attained years of maturity, viz.: Esther C., who was born November 5, 1821; Spencer H., March 18, 1824; Stephen Woods, September 10, 1825; John H., March 1, 1828; Charles Hopkins, August 28, 1831; Liana

L., September 22, 1834; Amelia A., June 11, 1836; Henry O., October 17, 1837; Abigail M., September 27, 1839, and the subject of this sketch, who is the eldest of the family. He came to Ohio when a boy, driving the team all the way to this state. Remaining with his parents until the fall of 1838, he then went on foot to Springfield, Ohio, hoping to gain a better education in that place. After attending school for nine months, he returned to Pagetown and taught in one of the log schoolhouses of the neighborhood, receiving a salary of $14 per month. Meantime he read such medical books as he could obtain.

When the school closed, the young teacher bought a horse in the fall of 1841, put up some medicine and began the practice of the medical profession, in which from the first he met with good success. July 20, 1842, he married Martha Ann Curtis, and then settled at Nelsonville, Athens County. The canal was just being completed, and several hundred workmen were employed in its construction and in the coal mines. For a time he lived in a small building, which answered the double purpose of dwelling and office. In 1843 he rented a better house, and later bought property. He was very successful there, having a large and profitable practice.

From Athens Dr. Stimson removed about 1846, on account of ill health, to Granville, where for two years he was a partner of Dr. Austin, meantime regaining his health. From that place he removed to Alexandria, where he purchased property and has since engaged in practice. He began the practice of the profession in boyhood, when he frequently attended patients for his father, and has been a successful practitioner for more than fifty years.

Mrs. Stimson died January 27, 1850, leaving four children. Harriet, who was born April 24, 1843, married Dr. Evan Williams, and resides in Chicago; Herbert, who was born February 19, 1846, died at the age of fourteen years; Stephen, who was born August 16, 1848, was a physician, but is now deceased; Martha, twin of Stephen, married Henry Thrall and resides in Hammond, Ind. The second marriage of the Doctor, uniting him with Sarah A. Fuller, occurred May 19, 1852, and she died in November, 1880. The children born of this union are: Austin, whose birth occurred July 7, 1854, and who is now a farmer near Alexandria; George, who was born May 28, 1857, and resides near Alexandria; Mary, born October 24, 1860, now the wife of Lyman Wright, residing near Monon, Ind.; and Clark, who was born in November, 1866, and is now engaged in farming. On the 8th of October, 1883, Dr. Stimson was united in marriage with Caroline Nichols, his present companion.

In addition to owning some village property, the Doctor has a farm consisting of three hundred and ten acres of well improved land, upon which his sons reside. Politically he has been a Republican since 1856, and although he has never been solicitous of official honors, he has served as Township Treasurer and in other positions of honor and trust. Socially he is identified with St. Alban's Lodge No. 491, A. F. & A. M. As a citizen he is progressive, favoring all measures calculated to benefit the people and promote the growth of the county.

GEORGE WASHINGTON GARRISON, M. D. Having opened an office for the practice of his profession in Utica in 1866, Dr. Garrison now enjoys the distinction of being the oldest practicing physician in the city, where he has since conducted an extensive and profitable practice. In addition to professional duties he is also proprietor of the Thornville Bank, in Thornville, Ohio, and has other important interests in the state.

There are three separate families of Garrisons in the United States, Commodore Garrison being a representative of one, William Lloyd Garrison of another, and Nehemiah Garrison of the third. The latter, our subject's grandfather, was the son of an Englishman who emigrated to America about 1700. The grandfather was born in Jefferson County, Va., about 1760 and died about 1820. His entire life was

devoted to the occupation of a farmer. In 1781 he married Mary Ann Brazier, an adopted daughter of Hannah Washington. Her mother, whose family name was Dandridge, was a cousin of the Washington family and died a short time after Mary Ann was born. Her father, a sea captain, was lost at sea during the Revolutionary War.

Nehemiah and Mary Ann Garrison were the parents of three sons and one daughter. The latter, the eldest of the family, was born in 1783 and died at the age of eighty-three. She was married to Rev. William Littleton, of Frederick County, Va. The next in order of birth was George W., who was born in Virginia June 19, 1785, and died November 19, 1861, aged seventy-six years and five months. William, who was born in 1787, died in his eighty-fourth year. Dandridge was born about 1790 and died unmarried at the age of about seventy. The average age of this family was a little over seventy-eight. So far as can be learned, all of the Garrison families were of English descent.

A farmer by occupation, George W. Garrison was employed by Warner Washington as overseer of his plantation in Jefferson County, Va., from the age of twenty-one to forty. He was in his forty-fifth year when, in the fall of 1829, he was united in marriage with Miss Lucinda Murphy, of Frederick County, Va. She was a daughter of Philip Tenly Murphy, whose grandfather came from Ireland. One prominent characteristic of the Murphy family is longevity. Philip T. Murphy attained the age of eighty-four; his oldest sister, Sallie Murphy, died in Dayton, Ohio, at the age of one hundred and five; his next sister, Betsy, died at the same place, aged one hundred and three; a younger brother, Daniel, who was born in Frederick County, Va., in 1785, died in Muskingum County, Ohio, in 1885. The principal occupation of the members of this family was that of agriculture.

The parents of our subject had three sons and five daughters. Andrew Jackson, the eldest, was born August 11, 1830, and was a farmer by occupation. During the Rebellion he enlisted, June 1, 1861, as a private in Company K, Twenty-fourth Ohio Infantry, and was mustered out as Captain of that company June 24, 1864. During his service he participated in sixteen regular battles, taking part in two engagements in front of Rocky Face, Ga., after his term of service had expired. He was born in Frederick County, Va., while the next in order of birth, Tenley Nehemiah, was born in Jefferson County, the same state, December 19, 1833, and is engaged in farming. Nancy Louisa was born in Frederick County, Va., February 25, 1836, and was a little more than two years old when the family removed, in the fall of 1838, to Muskingum County, Ohio. In the spring of the following year they removed to Coshocton County, Ohio. During their residence in Muskingum County a daughter, Mary Ann, was born, on the 22d of February, 1839; she is still living with her mother (who is now more than eighty-six years old) in the town of New Castle, Ohio.

In order of birth our subject, born February 3, 1840, is the next member of the family circle. Those younger than he are, Hannah Miriam, who was born November 28, 1844, and died in 1852; Margaret E., born April 22, 1848, who married William Coggins April 6, 1869, dying March 30, 1870; and Hetty Rebecca, born July 2, 1851, who was married October 7, 1884, to Jacob Morgan Keigley and resides in Mt. Vernon, Knox County, Ohio, Mr. Keigley being employed on the police force of that place.

Dr. Garrison passed his earlier years upon the home farm. For some time he was a student in the academy at New Castle, graduating from that institution when twenty-one years of age. He then taught school and at the same time studied medicine, Dr. Samuel McElwee being his preceptor. In 1863 he attended lectures in the medical department of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. In 1864 he left college and entered the United States' service as assistant surgeon. He served on staff duty, having charge of Hospital No. 3, on Lookout Mountain, and during his administration created a hospital fund to the credit of the Government of over $2,500. So highly was he esteemed by his subordinates that the attendants of Wards I and K, on the 11th of May, 1865, presented him with a cane, for which he has been offered $100, but of course money would not in-

duce him to part with the gift. The cane is made from deer-tongue laurel root, and consists of eighteen separate pieces strung on an iron ramrod. The laurel grew on Lookout Mountain, where Gen. Joseph Hooker fought above clouds, and was dug up at the point where the Confederates retreated. It was carved with a pocket knife by Private B. Peisen and is suitably engraved.

After returning from the war, Dr. Garrison entered the University of Wooster, at Cleveland, Ohio, graduating with the Class of '66. He then settled in Utica, where he has since had a large and lucrative practice. Since coming here he has also received diplomas from the Western Reserve Medical College and St. Vincent Hospital College at Cleveland. It is always his aim to keep abreast with the latest developments in medical science and he is a thoughtful reader of the best journals published for the especial use of the profession.

In politics the Doctor is a stanch Republican. He has filled a number of responsible positions, including those of President of the Board of Education and member of the City Council. In 1891 he was an applicant for the position of Superintendent of the Central Ohio Asylum for the Insane, and although he failed to receive the appointment, the endorsements given him by the leading men of Ohio were of such a high character that he may well be proud of them. For thirty-five years he has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which he has long been a leading official, and during the absence of the pastor the management of the services usually devolves upon him. On the 1st of January, 1894, he established the Thornville Bank, which is now in charge of his son, Jay R. Garrison, Cashier.

The lady who May 29, 1867, became the wife of Dr. Garrison bore the maiden name of Caroline Bell and was a daughter of Jacob and Rachel (Letts) Bell. Her father was one of the most enterprising farmers of Knox County, Ohio, where he amassed a fortune and built the finest residence in the county. Politically, he was a Republican and served as County Commissioner. Dr. and Mrs. Garrison have three children. Elizabeth Bell, the eldest, was graduated from the Ohio Wesleyan University with the Class of '92, and is also a graduate of music; Jay Reade, a graduate from the business department of the Ohio Wesleyan University with the Class of '93, is now Cashier of the Thornville Bank; Odell is now a student in the Ohio State University at Columbus.

HARVEY KAGEY. The name of this gentleman is well known to the citizens of Union Township, for here his entire life has been spent. He was born April 11, 1835, upon the farm where he now resides. His parents, Henry and Catherine (Fitzgerald) Kagey, were natives of Virginia, presumably born in Rockingham or Page County. In 1833 removing to Ohio, they settled in Union Township, Licking County, upon the farm now occupied by their children. Purchasing one hundred and nine acres, the father cleared the land with the assistance of his sons, and also erected the substantial and commodious house still the home of the family. Here in May, 1880, he passed away at the advanced age of ninety-six. His wife preceded him in death about forty-five years. They were of remote German and Irish ancestry.

Through the period of his residence in Union Township, covering almost fifty years, Henry Kagey maintained the principles of honor, rectitude and energy, which were among his prominent characteristics in youth. He was an exemplary man, and the old settlers who were his associates in life always spoke of him in the highest terms. In his dealings with others he was ever just, honorable and upright, and his memory will ever be revered for his many virtues.

The family of Henry Kagey consisted of nine sons and three daughters, and five of the number are now living. Nine of the family were born in Virginia, two of whom died in infancy. Those who attained mature years are: Isabel, Eliza, Edward, Alfred, Mary, William, Stephen, Harvey, Maxwell and James. The first-named, Isabel,

married David Black and is now deceased. Edward died unmarried. Alfred went to California in 1849 and died at Walla Walla, Wash. Mary married a Mr. Hilbrandt and was a widow at the time of her death. William started to California to join Alfred, shortly after the departure of the latter from home, and died on the westward journey at the Platte River.

The old homestead is now owned by Harvey, Eliza and Maxwell Kagey. Our subject owns forty-six acres of splendid bottom land in addition to his interest in the old homestead. His life occupation has been that of a farmer and stock-raiser, in which he has met with flattering success. From his fine orchard he also derives a good revenue when the fruit yield is good. In political affairs he manifests a lively interest and has never missed an election since he became a voter. His allegiance is given to the Democratic party, and upon that ticket he has been elected to a number of local offices in the township. He attends the Baptist Church, and gives of his means to the support of the Gospel and other benevolent enterprises. During the lifetime of his parents he was a dutiful son, and for many years cared for them, surrounding them with every comfort and ministering to their happiness, presenting an example of filial care and affection seldom surpassed.

WILLIAM C. VOGELMEIER. Prominent among the industries of Newark is the grocery and meat market situated at No. 81 South Fourth Street, and conducted by the firm of Vogelmeier Bros., of which the subject of this notice is the senior member. His entire life has been spent in this city, and here he was born November 2, 1858, to the union of William and Wilhelmina (Oster) Vogelmeier, natives respectively of Prussia and Wurtemberg, Germany. The father was a son of Henry Vogelmeier, and was born March 30, 1830. In 1853 he emigrated to the United States, and coming to Ohio, settled in Newark, where he has since resided. He has one brother in this country, Frederick, now a resident of Newark.

For some time after locating in Newark, William Vogelmeier worked at anything he could find to do, and securing employment in a brick yard, there gained such a thorough knowledge of the business, that when he had saved a sufficient amount of money to enable him to embark in business, he purchased a brick yard, in 1865, and has since conducted a profitable trade in that line. In 1889 he removed his kiln to the present location, one and one-half miles from the public square, where he owns fifteen acres. He manufactures about one million brick per annum, though the works have a capacity for a larger amount. Several brick residences in the city have been erected under his supervision, and his keenness and energy have brought him prosperity.

In 1857 Mr. Vogelmeier married Wilhelmina Oster, who is a daughter of Christopher Oster, a native of Germany, and for some years a resident of Newark. Twelve children were born of this union, ten of whom survive, viz.: Caroline, wife of William Treftzer; William, Henry, John, Charles, Fred, Philip, Otto, Amelia and Laura, all residents of Newark. Politically the father is a Democrat. He is a member of the German Lutheran Church, in which he has held official position. For two years, 1866-67, he was interested in a grocery business in Newark, but with that exception his attention has been given exclusively to his brick yard.

When a boy, our subject worked in his father's brick yard, but at the age of eighteen commenced to learn the trade of a moulder in the foundry of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway Company. Subsequently for five years he was similarly employed in the Champion Works at Springfield, Ohio. Returning to Newark, he was in the employ of Moser & Wehrle for six years. In February, 1891, associated with his brother Fred, he embarked in the business in which he has since engaged with success.

The lady who in 1882 became the wife of Mr. Vogelmeier was formerly Miss Lizzie Miller, and was born in Columbus, Ohio, January 9, 1866, be-

ing the daughter of Frank Miller, a machinist of that city. Two children bless this union, Clara and Harry. Politically a Democrat, Mr. Vogelmeier is at present serving as Trustee of Newark Township. As all true American citizens should do, he keeps himself well informed on the issues of the day, and manifests a great interest in the public welfare. His religious connections are with the German Lutheran Church, while socially he is identified with the German Benevolent Society. Possessing practical business talent and financial ability, he is meeting with signal success, and in all transactions displays shrewdness and sound judgment.

JAMES R. ASHBROOK, who is engaged in the grocery business at No. 113 South Third Street, has carried on a profitable trade in this line at Newark since 1873, and through the uniform reliability of his transactions and courtesy of his manners well merits the prosperity he is enjoying. A native of Ohio, he was born near Royalton, Fairfield County, October 20, 1842, and is the son of Edward P. and Margaret (Redman) Ashbrook, natives respectively of Fairfield and Muskingum Counties, Ohio.

The remote ancestors of the Ashbrook family originated in Scotland, and in early Colonial times settled in this country. As far back as 1725 we find a family living in Berkeley County, Va., by the name of Ashbrook, in which there were six sons and one daughter. Levi, the youngest son and great-grandfather of the subject of this notice, located in Hampshire County, Va., and was a noted minister in his day. He was twice married, and by his first wife had one son and three daughters. His second wife was a Miss Chinneth, and she bore him six sons and eight daughters. Levi, his son by his first wife, emigrated to Kentucky, became very wealthy, and removed to St. Louis, Mo., where some of his descendants still live. John and Absalom also emigrated to Kentucky. Aaron married a Miss Peters, and emigrating to Fairfield County, Ohio, settled near where Pleasantville now stands, where he lived to a ripe old age. William, the grandfather of James R., of this sketch, also married a Miss Peters and emigrated to Fairfield County, Ohio; Thomas emigrated to Pickaway County, Ohio, where he lived until quite old, when he removed to Coles County, Ill., and died soon afterward; Ely also married a Miss Peters, a sister of the two above mentioned, and in 1810 emigrated to Pickaway County, Ohio, thence to Fairfield County, and from there to Johnstown, Licking County, becoming one of the pioneers of that locality, where he lived to the advanced age of ninety-six years. He was for many years a Baptist minister, and traveled a great deal as an itinerant preacher through Ohio, Virginia and Kentucky. His family consisted of six sons. Absalom resides in Newark, mention of whom is made elsewhere in this work; William is living at Johnstown, this county, and Jonathan, Tunice, Hiram and Ely are deceased.

Our subject's grandfather, William Ashbrook, was born in Virginia, and there married Miss Peters, and early in the present century came to Ohio, settling in Pleasant Township, Fairfield County, at a period so early in its settlement that settlers were few, roads not opened and lands uncleared. It was his privilege to prepare the way for coming generations, to remove the thick growth of forest trees, open roads, till the soil and place the land under cultivation. He lived to see what was in years gone by a region of timbered land transformed into a prosperous, finely cultivated and beautiful country, and to the attainment of this result he contributed his full quota. He passed away about 1824, while his wife, who survived him for some time, died when about ninety. Their children, all of whom were born in Fairfield County, bore the following names: John Mahlon, Absalom, William, Edward P., Samuel, Minerva, Salecia and Ivy.

Born in Fairfield County, May 15, 1817, Edward P. Ashbrook grew to manhood in the vicinity of his birth, receiving a rudimentary education in the primitive log schoolhouse. On the 28th of November, 1839, he married Miss Margaret Redman, who was born in Muskingum County, Ohio, July

9, 1819. He still makes his home in that county, where he and his wife are surrounded by all the comforts of life. A man of considerable local prominence, he has held a number of offices of trust, and is an ardent supporter of Republican principles. Sincere in his Christian belief, he was long an adherent of the old school Baptist Church, and although not at present connected with any denomination, still believes in the truth of the Gospel and its power over the hearts of mankind.

The parental family consisted of five sons and one daughter, viz.: Samuel, who died in childhood; James R.; William, who was removed by death in infancy; Thomas, a millwright by trade, who now lives in Somerset, Perry County, and deals in machinery; Edward LaFayette, a farmer residing with his parents, and Lizzie, the wife of L. D. Cole, who lives in Columbus, Ohio. The subject of this notice was reared upon the home farm, and in addition to becoming thoroughly familiar with that occupation, he also learned the trade of a carpenter, which he pursued in connection with agriculture.

December 17, 1868, Mr. Ashbrook married Miss Ella M., daughter of Philip R. and Catherine Ann (North) Shartle, of Fairfield County, where she was born. After marriage our subject continued to cultivate his farm until 1873, when he came to Newark and opened a grocery store, in which business he has since been engaged. For eight years he carried on two grocery establishments. As a business man he possesses a keen insight into intricate affairs, and with such perseverance has he devoted himself to his chosen calling that more than ordinary success has been his. His abilities and accurate judgment are constantly displayed, and he has the regard of the business men of the city.

The family residence is situated at No. 200 South Fifth Street, and is presided over by Mrs. Ashbrook, whose amiable disposition brings her many friends. She has two children, both daughters, Allie Belle and Myrtie Florence. Socially, Mr. Ashbrook affiliates with the Masonic fraternity, and Lemert Post No. 71, G. A. R. Not only was he interested in the cause of the Union during the late war, but he also gave his services to assist in the defense of the Stars and Stripes. May 2, 1864, he was mustered into service with Company I, One Hundred and Fifty-ninth Ohio Infantry, and served for about four months, having enlisted for one hundred days. During his term of service he was on duty in both Virginia and Maryland. While not actively interested in political affairs, he is a firm supporter of Republican principles and is a loyal, public-spirited citizen, who maintains a deep interest in everything calculated to promote the best interests of the county.

SILAS W. SHERMAN, who is now living in retirement at his pleasant rural abode in Hartford Township, was born in Clarendon Township, Rutland County, Vt., August 15, 1819. He is the son of Shubel and Phœbe (Rudd) Sherman, both natives of Rutland County. His paternal grandfather was a native of Connecticut, but early in life became a resident of the Green Mountain State. This family traces its lineage to the same forefathers as do General and Senator Sherman, whose eminent abilities have rendered their names familiar in every household.

In 1839 the parents of our subject came to Licking County, and settled on a farm near Alexandria, in St. Alban's Township, where they died well advanced in years. They had a family of seven children, of whom Silas W. is the youngest and the only living representative. The others were, Harry, who died in Vermont at the age of twenty-three years; Lorenzo, who died in Indiana in September of 1892; Beaman, who died before the war; Deborah, who married and died in Illinois; Lavona, Mrs. Hageman, who died in New York, and Sophronia (twin of Lavona), who married and passed away in Topeka, Kan., in March, 1893.

After completing the studies of the common schools our subject entered Blendon College, near Westerville, of which he was one of the first stu-

dents enrolled. Before going to college Mr. Sherman taught school for a time, and after attending college at Westerville he taught a few terms in Shelby County. In 1848 he was united in marriage with Miss Almeda Kasson, a sister of Royal Kasson, whose sketch appears in this work. She was educated in the common schools, and is a lady of refined tastes and amiable disposition. To their union six children were born, of whom four are now living. Elias D. died of consumption at the age of twenty-two years; Rosetta resides with her parents; Chloe died at the age of twenty-three years; Sophronia, residing on an adjoining farm, married George W. Disbennette and has two children, Harvey and Gracia; Wealthy became the wife of Clarke Evans, and they with their child, Sylvia, reside on a farm in Bennington Township. Sylvia is the wife of Emmett Stirdevant, a mechanic of Hartford, and they have one child, Forest.

During his early manhood, Mr. Sherman was for some time employed as a traveling salesman, and in that way laid the foundation of his present prosperity. His farm consists of one hundred and eleven acres of land, a portion of which is in Hartford, and the remainder in Monroe Township. The land is level and the soil fertile, the place being admirably adapted for farming purposes. Mr. Sherman does not actively engage in its cultivation, but still superintends its management. Being in rather poor health, and having accumulated a comfortable fortune, he no longer labors without relaxation from cares, but in the enjoyment of domestic intercourse, and in visiting his friends, passes his time pleasantly.

As a Republican Mr. Sherman has been earnest and active in the advocacy of his political views, and is one of the few men now living who voted for the two Harrisons. During the famous campaign of 1840, he accompanied the noted log cabin, drawn by thirty-six pair of oxen, which was taken to Newark. For about thirty-two years he has been identified with the Masonic order. Liberal in his religious views, he is not at present connected with any religious organization. The members of the Sherman family have usually been professional men, generally medium in stature, and with decided preferences for literary pursuits. He is an honor to the worthy name he bears, and by his upright life has added lustre unto it. He is justly held to be one of the best citizens of Hartford Township, both as regards his private life, which is irreproachable, and in every public position that he has occupied.

LEONIDAS H. INSCHO. The business interests of Newark have a worthy representative in the subject of this notice, who is the owner and proprietor of a grocery store situated at No. 24 West Church Street. He is a member of a family represented in Licking County during the period of its early settlement. His grandfather, John Inscho, who was born in Newark, N. J., of Scotch parentage, came to this county about 1806, and settled in Newton Township near St. Louisville.

At that early day few roads had been opened in the county, wild animals were abundant and settlers few. Grandfather Inscho built a log cabin in the midst of the dense forest and proceeded to clear the land, but after partially improving a farm, he disposed of the property and removed to Mt. Liberty, Knox County. Upon the farm purchased by him there he continued to reside until his death, at the age of about sixty-five. He was survived for several years by his wife, who bore the maiden name of Hannah Shrock, and was born in Hagerstown, Md., of German parentage.

In Licking County, Moses Inscho, our subject's father, was born in 1810, and thence he removed with his parents to Knox County. In Fredericks-town he learned the trade of a cabinet-maker, which he followed for some time at Chatham, Licking County, but after the occupation became unprofitable he transferred his attention to house carpentry. He erected many residences in various parts of the county and continued thus engaged

until about 1850, when failing health forced him to relinquish the business. After an illness that covered a period of three years he passed away. He was a prominent man in local affairs, was a stanch supporter of Whig principles and an Abolitionist. His wife, whose maiden name was Ada Preston, was born in Licking County, and here died at the age of seventy-two.

Our subject, the eldest of the family, was born in Chatham, Licking County, February 20, 1840. The other members of the family were, Bernard, who died in this county; Loami, a resident of Chatham; Henry, a farmer of Missouri; John, who died in this county leaving a family; Moses, a blacksmith of Columbus, Ohio, and Mary, who married James Harper, of Columbus. In the common schools of Chatham Mr. Inscho was a student at infrequent intervals, much of his time being devoted to work. In June, 1861, he enlisted in Company E, Twelfth Ohio Infantry, as a private, and held the various ranks of non-commissioned officers; he was commissioned Second Lieutenant, which rank he held at the time of his discharge, in August, 1865. His original period of service was three years, but at the expiration of that time he again enlisted, and the Twelfth being consolidated with the Twenty-third, Col. R. B. Hayes' Regiment, our subject became Second Lieutenant of Company A.

Among the engagements in which Lieutenant Inscho participated were the following: Kanawha River, Galley Bridge, Carnifex Ferry, Cotton Mountain, Princeton, second battle of Bull Run, South Mountain, Antietam, Winchester, Halltown, Berryville, Opequan Creek, Cloyd Mountain, Fisher's Hill and Cedar Creek. At the battle of South Mountain he captured a Confederate captain and four men, whom he brought into camp. His bravery on this occasion won for him a medal, the gift of the United States Government.

The war ended, Mr. Inscho returned to Chatham, where for sixteen years he engaged in the milling business, owning both a gristmill and a sawmill. In 1883 he came to Newark and has since conducted a profitable trade as a grocer here. January 25, 1870, he married Miss Maria, daughter of James McKimsey, late a resident of Chatham. Mrs. Inscho was born in Licking County, and has here spent her entire life. She presides with grace and hospitality over their pleasant home at No. 309 West Church Street, which is brightened by the presence of an only child, Florence.

Politically a Republican, Mr. Inscho has served as Trustee of Newark Township. He is a member of Lemert Post, G. A. R., of which he is Past Commander. The Union Veterans' League and Acme Lodge No. 534, A. F. & A. M., have his name enrolled among their members. With his wife he belongs to the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he has been a member for more than a quarter of a century, and in which he has officiated as Class-leader and Superintendent of the Sunday-school.

JAMES BLACK. In Union Township, where he was born December 28, 1810, this venerable citizen still makes his home. His life covers a period of more than four-score years, during which time he has witnessed the development of the material resources of the township and county. To the advancement of all worthy enterprises he has contributed his quota, and no resident of this locality is better or more favorably known than he.

The parents of our subject, Matthew and Agnes (Taylor) Black, were natives respectively of Pennsylvania and Virginia, and came to Ohio prior to their marriage, probably some time before the opening of the nineteenth century. Their family consisted of three sons and one daughter, namely: James, of this sketch; David, who died about 1890, in Licking Township; Harvey T., a resident of Licking Township; and Margaret, who died in girlhood. The father of this family, who died before our subject attained his majority, was an active man and a tireless worker. He owned a grist and saw mill, which he operated for some time, and

it is probable that overwork in the mill hastened his death.

The experiences common to all pioneers fell to the lot of our subject in boyhood and youth. The school in which he acquired a knowledge of the three Rs was a primitive structure, built of logs, and furnished in a style befitting the exterior. The extent of the fireplace was limited only by the width of the house; slabs, with the smooth side up and with pins for legs, afforded the only seats; a board fastened to the wall was utilized as a writing desk. In such a building our subject conned his lessons seventy years ago.

In early life Mr. Black was employed in his father's mill, but for the past forty years he has engaged in tilling the soil, and has resided upon his present homestead, a portion of which was inherited from his parents. In 1843 he married Margaret E. Ferrel, who died July 30, 1845, leaving a son, David M., now a merchant of Newark. May 21, 1846, Mr. Black was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth, daughter of John and Barbara (Rhoades) Rees. Her father at the age of nine years emigrated from Wales to America in company with her grandfather, Theophilus Rees, who was one of the first settlers of Granville Township, and removed thence to Union Township, where both died.

Three sons and four daughters were born to Mr. and Mrs. Rees, the eldest and youngest of the family being now deceased. The others are, Catherine, Theophilus, Elizabeth, John, Israel and Jennie. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor are the parents of the following children: Martha J., who married the Rev. Newton C. Harford, a Baptist minister residing in Prospect, Marion County, Ohio; Mary Elizabeth, an invalid during the greater part of her life, and who died at the age of thirty-four; John R., who is married and occupies a part of the parental homestead; James H., who is married and lives in Union Township; and Gertrude, who resides with her parents.

In religious connections Mr. and Mrs. Black are worthy members of the Licking Baptist Church, which is located on a portion of their farm. The land for the church and cemetery was donated more than seventy years ago by Mrs. Black's grandfather. She traces her lineage to Welsh and German ancestors, while Mr. Black is of Irish descent. In early life he affiliated with the Whigs, and since the organization of the Republican party he has been one of its stanch supporters. He is proud of the history of that political organization, proud of its record in the past, and a loyal advocate of its principles, to which he believes that our country is largely indebted for its prosperity.

LOUIS A. STARE. Occupying a prominent position among the business men of Newark, the subject of this sketch is also well and favorably known throughout the county of which he has been a life-long resident. In June, 1891, he embarked in business as a manufacturer of bank and office fixtures, in which he has since conducted an increasing and profitable trade. Both by training and natural gifts he is well qualified for the successful prosecution of his chosen occupation, and the prosperity he has gained is the result of merit.

The family of which Mr. Stare is a leading representative originated in Germany and the name was formerly Stahr. His paternal grandfather, Leander Stare, emigrated to the United States some years after his marriage, and sojourning for a short time in New York State, came thence to Ohio and settled upon a farm in Mary Ann Township, Licking County. Here he continued to reside until his death, which occurred at an advanced age. His remains lie buried in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

The father of our subject, Peter Stare, was born in Baden, Germany, and was a child of twelve years when he accompanied the other members of the family to America. He grew to manhood upon a farm and for some years followed the occupation of a tiller of the soil. At present he resides upon a fourteen-acre farm near Newark, where he is engaged in gardening. His wife, whose maiden name was Sarah Sheffler, was born in Perry County, Ohio, and her father was a native of Pennsyl-

vania. In the family there were six sons and five daughters, all of whom are living but one daughter that died in infancy. They are respectively: Vincent, Louis A., Leonard A., Rosa (who resides in Chicago), Phronie (wife of Nicholas Campbell), Luretta, Sarah, Edward, George and Frank. With the exception of Rosa, all reside in Licking County.

Reared upon a farm in Mary Ann Township, where he was born December 22, 1858, our subject was in childhood the recipient of ordinary common-school advantages. At the age of twenty-one he began to learn the trade of a carpenter, which he followed two seasons. For ten years he was employed in a planing-mill on Fourth Street, Newark, where he gained the practical knowledge of business that enabled him in 1891 to establish a shop of his own. During those ten years he was employed principally at cabinet work and acquired great proficiency in that line. His attention is now devoted to the manufacture of office and bank fixtures, which he makes to order.

June 1, 1883, Mr. Stare married Miss Mary A., daughter of John and Bridget (Roan) Roan and a native of Washington County, Ohio. Their pleasant home at No. 26 North Fifth Street is brightened by the presence of their five children, Annie, Veronica, Anthony, Gertrude and Mary, all of whom are receiving excellent educations in the home schools. While Mr. Stare is not actively connected with any political organization, he nevertheless upholds with fidelity the principles of the Democratic party. In religious belief he is a Catholic.

WILLIAM EVANS. As a business man this gentleman is well and favorably known, not only in Newark, where he has resided for more than a half-century, but throughout the county and adjacent territory. By his enterprise he has built up an extensive business as a dealer in furniture and as an undertaker, and from the successful management of his affairs he has become well-to-do. Though of foreign birth, no native-born citizen of America is more loyal to the Government than he, and he may always be relied upon to support any measure for developing the material resources and promoting the interests of this section of the state.

Born in Wales May 28, 1837, our subject is one of two sons comprising the family of William and Catherine Evans, the latter of whom died in 1838. The other son, Hugh, was accidentally killed in a blacksmith shop at Newark in 1849, when a lad of fourteen years. The father was again married in Wales, and in 1842 brought his family to the United States, settling in Newark. By trade he was a carpenter, which occupation he followed until his death, in 1868, aged sixty-eight years. In religious belief he was a member of and an earnest worker in the Welsh Calvinistic Church, in which he officiated as a Deacon. His second union was childless, and his widow, now eighty-three years old (1894), makes her home with our subject.

Until sixteen years old our subject attended the public schools of Newark. In 1853 he entered the employ of Clement Brook, with whom he learned the trade of a cabinet-maker. This was, in those days, a very important trade, as furniture was made entirely by hand. Mr. Brook died in 1854, after which our subject completed his apprenticeship with Captain Blackburn Moore. He followed his trade in the employ of others until 1859, at which time he embarked in business for himself. In 1861 he sold out, but one year later bought back the business, which he conducted until 1870. At that time he again disposed of the establishment and engaged as a clerk for George Markley. In 1880 he purchased a half-interest in the business, which for ten years was conducted under the firm name of Markley & Co. Mr. Evans then disposed of his interest to his partner, and established the store which he has since conducted with efficiency and success.

In 1871 occurred the marriage of Mr. Evans and Miss Jemima Williams. This estimable lady was born in Wales in 1846, and emigrated to the United States in 1865, remaining a resident of Newark until her death, May 30, 1889. She has two brothers in this state, Thomas, at Columbus,

and David, residing at Vaughnsville. Four children blessed the union of Mr. and Mrs. Evans, Francis, now express agent at Mt. Vernon, Ohio; Oliver, who is a clerk with the United States Express Company at Newark; Nora and Ray, who reside with their father.

Mr. Evans believes in the principles laid down in the Republican platform and therefore votes the straight ticket. Socially he is Noble Grand of Newark Lodge No. 623, I. O. O. F., and was formerly its Treasurer. He has always taken an active interest in the welfare of the lodge, and is also prominently connected with Mt. Olive Encampment No. 12, I. O. O. F., in which he has passed the chairs and is now the Treasurer. His residence is located at No. 160 North Fourth Street, where he settled in 1853.

CAPT. JOHN B. VANCE, proprietor of the Newark Planing Mill, became a resident of this city in June, 1873. The firm of which he was then a member owned and operated a planing mill at New Comerstown, Ohio, but leased a building in Newark, to which in April, 1874, they removed their machinery, continuing business under the firm title of Wilkin, Garber & Vance. In January of 1876, Mr. Wilkin withdrew and the firm style became Garber & Vance. On the 1st of June, 1877, the property was destroyed by fire, and as there was no insurance it proved a total loss to the owners. Captain Vance then purchased the ground and erected a new plant, of which January 1, 1894, he became sole proprietor.

The firm of Garber & Vance was also engaged in contracting and building. They had the contracts for the wood work on the Elm Street School Building, the Fifth Street Baptist Church, the First Presbyterian Church, the Jones Block (all in Newark), the Baptist Church in Granville, the Shawnee Opera House, the Methodist Episcopal Churches at New Comerstown and West LaFayette, Ohio, and also had the contract for a portion of the Licking County Court House. At the present time, however, the Captain devotes his attention exclusively to the planing mill.

The Vance family is of English origin and was early represented in North Carolina. The grandfather of our subject, Robert Vance, was a citizen of Stafford County, Va., in Colonial days. He took part in the Indian wars, and at the opening of the Revolution he equipped a full company of the Thirteenth Virginia Regiment, of which he was chosen Captain. In the defense of the Colonies he fought gallantly until peace was declared. After the war ended he removed west and settled on the south bank of the Ohio River, ten miles below Ft. Pitt, and built what is still known as Vance's Fort. There he engaged in farming and had charge of his plantation until his death.

The father of our subject, Andrew Vance, was born at Vance's Fort, and there grew to manhood. After his marriage he removed to Brooke County, W. Va., and in 1839 went to Washington County, Pa., whence in 1857 he removed to Beaver County, Pa., and there he died in 1858. His wife, whose maiden name was Nancy Byers, died in 1889, aged nearly eighty-four years. A man of more than ordinary education, Andrew Vance for many years followed the profession of a school teacher, in addition to which he pursued agricultural operations and also did considerable surveying. He was a self-made man, his advantages in boyhood having been the most meagre. His education was gained by study at home, and once each week he went on horseback or in a canoe a distance of ten miles for the purpose of reciting his lessons to a well educated attorney. Though he met with some severe reverses, yet by careful management and industry he gained success. Politically, he was first a Whig and later a Republican. He was a Presbyterian in religious belief and an Elder in that church.

Three sons and three daughters comprised the family of Andrew and Nancy Vance. Sarah married Robert L. Carothers, and lives in Butler County, Neb.; Anna M. resides in Beaver County, Pa.; our subject is the next in order of birth; Robert is a farmer in Saline County, Neb.; Alexander H.,

of Seward County, Neb., is a politician and author of some note; Mary I. resides in Beaver County, Pa.

With the exception of a brief attendance at the common schools and in an academy, our subject is mainly self educated. For a time he followed teaching, but was obliged to discontinue that work on account of failing health. In 1858 he went via the Isthmus to the Pacific Coast, where he remained until the fall of 1861, meantime engaged as clerk in a hotel and in mining.

In December, 1861, he returned from California, and in August, 1862, enlisted in Company H, One Hundred and Fortieth Pennsylvania Infantry, and on the 5th of November following was commissioned Second Lieutenant. Among the engagements in which he participated are the following: Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Mitchell Station, Bristow Station, Mine Run, Morton's Ford, Wilderness battles, including Spottsylvania and the numerous skirmishes leading up to these battles. His regiment entered the battle of Gettysburg with twenty-eight officers, and came out with seven, six of whom were uninjured. Captain Vance was among the wounded. While acting as adjutant of his regiment he was honored with promotion to First Lieutenant (August 12, 1863), and commanded Company A during the Mine Run expedition. May 12, 1864, he received a disabling wound at the battle of Spottsylvania, which disabled him from further active duty, and was mustered out of the service under a special order, September 28, 1864. Returning to Pennsylvania, he engaged in farming until the spring of 1873, when he came to Newark.

June 12, 1866, Captain Vance married Miranda A., the daughter of James and Ruth McConnell, her father being a farmer of Washington County, Pa., where she was born September 18, 1844. Five children bless the union, Nellie, Nancy B., Andrew M., Ralph C. and Kate. In politics, the Captain is a Republican. Although he has never sought office, he has frequently served as delegate to political conventions and may be counted on to bear his part in every worthy enterprise. For thirty years he has been a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, in which he has filled all the chairs in the subordinate lodge and encampment. He has served as District Deputy Grand Master, and for two terms represented his lodge in the Grand Lodge. He also belongs to Newark Lodge No. 97, A. F. & A. M., Encampment No. 31, Union Veteran Legion, in which he is Lieutenant-Colonel, and Lemert Post No. 71, G. A. R., of which he is a Past Commander.

CHARLES DEEDS. Strangers who visit Union Township are wont to pause admiringly before the beautiful homestead owned and occupied by Mr. Deeds. The place is one of the most valuable in the locality. It contains a commodious residence, substantial barns and other well equipped farm buildings, as well as a fine large orchard. All the modern improvements may be found here. A hydraulic ram forces water from a spring to the barn and a fine carp pond is supplied from the same source. Altogether the estate of one hundred and eighty acres is one of the most desirable in the county.

The parents of our subject, Andrew and Lydia (Stoolfire) Deeds, were natives of Pennsylvania, the former born July 8, 1811, and the latter August 17 of the same year. Our subject was born in Greene County, Pa., February 19, 1846, and was orphaned by his mother's death January 14, 1851, when he was yet too young to realize the extent of his loss. After the death of the mother, Andrew Deeds came to Ohio and settled upon the farm in Licking County now owned by our subject. Later he returned to Washington County, Pa., and married Miss Maria Martin, who remained his helpmate until he passed away, September 5, 1870. She survived him more than a decade, her death occurring November 5, 1881.

The first marriage of Andrew Deeds resulted in the birth of eight children, all of whom are still

living. Franklin, the eldest, was born December 12, 1831, and resides with his widowed sister, Mrs. Lucinda Lucas, on what is known as "York Street" in Harrison Township; Mrs. Lucas was the second in order of birth and was born November 18, 1832. John J., whose birth occurred February 14, 1838, first married Mary Keeran and was afterward united with the widow of George Lane, her maiden name having been Ellen Belt. Elizabeth A., born December 13, 1839, is the wife of Boanerges Green and resides in Union County, Ohio. Margaret, born July 10, 1841, married Jacob W. Showman, a farmer living in Granville Township. Charles, of this sketch, is the next member of the family. Sarah J., born October 27, 1848, is the wife of Stephen C. Winter and lives in Leavenworth County, Kan. Andrew, Jr., born January 5, 1851, is married and makes his home in Granville Township.

In the common schools of Licking County our subject received a fair education. Having always been of a studious turn of mind as well as a close observer, he has materially developed the foundation laid in the district schools. Farming has been his life occupation and of it he has made a success. July 4, 1873, he was united in marriage with Miss Susan C. Green, a native of Delaware County, Ohio, and daughter of Edward and Mary J. (Condit) Green, who were born in London, England, and New Jersey, respectively.

Mrs. Deeds is one of a family of five, namely: Susan C., born August 8, 1849; Mary E., born December 23, 1850; Phœbe J., October 20, 1853; Charles E., July 20, 1860, and Anna Luella, April 8, 1863. Her union with Mr. Deeds has resulted in the birth of two sons, Edward A., born March 12, 1874, and Dean D., November 20, 1876. The older son is a student in the sophomore class in Denison University, and Dean will complete his academic studies in 1895. On the old homestead, a portion of which he inherited, the remainder being purchased from the other heirs, Mr. Deeds is engaged in raising grain and cattle. For some years he has given his attention largely to breeding pure Spanish merino sheep of the Delaine type, and recently has added to his stock a thoroughbred herd of Galloway cattle. As a stock-raiser he has been very successful, and buyers usually call upon him before looking elsewhere.

For ten years prior to his marriage Mr. Deeds drove stock, mostly sheep, to the west, being employed by eastern buyers of horses and sheep. At one time he was seventy-three days on the road driving to Kansas City, Mo. He has also driven east, these trips usually consuming from forty to seventy days. On the trip to Kansas City two of his men met the James gang and were held up, and on the same day a stranger was robbed of $700. This was soon after the close of the Civil War, when the country was full of bushwhackers and thugs.

Politically Mr. Deeds is a Republican, but has never accepted political honors, preferring to devote his attention to his farming affairs. Unselfish in disposition, a man of large heart and benevolent nature, he is highly esteemed by his large circle of friends. In his religious views he is independent, but inclines to the Presbyterian faith, of which church his wife and sons are members.

DAVID M. GEIGER. Among the enterprises that have contributed to the prosperity of Licking County may be mentioned the Hebron Mills, of which Mr. Geiger is the proprietor. Having served an apprenticeship to the trade, he is thoroughly familiar with every department of the business. The mill is well equipped with all modern appliances for milling, and has a complete roller process. General custom work is done for toll or cash, and flour and feed are exchanged for grain. In connection with the plant there is a sawmill, where lumber and timber of all kinds and dimensions are prepared. Both the saw and flour mills are operated by an engine of thirty-five horse power.

A native of this county, Mr. Geiger was born in Union Township, December 5, 1859. His parents, David and Nancy (Rhodes) Geiger, were born in

Ohio, the father in Fairfield County, and the mother in Licking County. Ten children were born to them, the eldest of whom died in infancy. At the present writing (1894) five sons and four daughters are living, and of these David M. is the seventh in order of birth. The father died in Union Township May 14, 1874; the mother still resides on the old homestead, which her son Jesse E. operates. Three other sons, Worthington R., Peter H. and Theophilus S., are residents of Union Township, and all are engaged in farming.

The boyhood days of David M. Geiger were spent upon the home farm in Union Township, and his education was acquired in the district schools. His first business venture was the purchase of a meat market in Hebron, which he conducted for two years. He then became an apprentice to the miller's trade, and upon thoroughly learning the business purchased a half-interest in the Hebron Mills. From 1885 until 1891 he was in partnership with William Bebout, whom at the latter date he bought out, and has since been sole owner and proprietor of the mill.

July 2, 1890, occurred the marriage of David M. Geiger and Miss Lillie White, the daughter of Samuel and Ella White, residents of Union Township. For about eight years prior to her marriage Mrs. Geiger was a teacher in the public schools of Hebron, and was an efficient and successful instructor. She has several brothers and sisters, one of whom, S. S., is a merchant at Union Station, and is represented elsewhere in this volume; Orilles is studying for the ministry; Mrs. Ettie Beaver resides in Jersey, Licking County; Myrtle married Cary Bebout and resides in Hebron; Lida resides with her parents.

For several years after attaining his majority Mr. Geiger cast his ballot in favor of Democratic candidates and principles, but recently his political views have undergone a change, and he is now an advocate of the principles of the People's party, which he believes to be in accord with the needs of the people. Both in the village of Hebron and throughout the surrounding country wherever known, he is regarded with the highest respect and confidence as a man of good judgment and unimpeachable integrity. A man of broad and liberal views, he is a promoter of progressive enterprises, and is ever ready to contribute his quota to the advancement of the interests of the home locality.

TINNEL BUEHLER became a resident of Licking County in 1854, and since that time, with the exception of two years spent in California, has made his home in Newark. His life illustrates the power of perseverance, for at the time of coming to this city he was a poor man, but through tireless activity in the face of great obstacles he has gained a position among the representative business men of the place. For some twenty years he was engaged in the grocery business, but disposing of that enterprise in 1894, he opened a general feed store at No. 392 West Main Street, where he has since conducted a large trade as a dealer in hides, tallow, calfskins, rubber, metal, etc., and also buys and sells grain in large quantities.

A native of Pennsylvania, Mr. Buehler was born in Norristown, September 11, 1833, and is the only son of George and Elizabeth (Cadwallader) Buehler, natives respectively of Gettysburg and Lehigh County, Pa. His only sister, Mary, married John Jannsen and lives in Norristown. The father died when Tinnel was only two years old, but the mother attained a good old age, passing away when ninety-six. She had been married prior to her union with Mr. Buehler and by her first marriage had four children.

During his boyhood days Mr. Buehler resided in the county of his birth, and going thence to Bucks County, learned the trade of a blacksmith. The year 1854 witnessed his arrival in Newark, where for about twenty years he followed his trade. A serious accident, however, at last obliged him to abandon work at his chosen occupation. When

out hunting his right hand was blown off by the accidental discharge of a shot-gun, and he was therefore incapacitated for manual labor. He then opened a grocery store, and until 1894 had a good trade in that line. In 1863 he went to California via the Isthmus, and engaging in work at his trade, accumulated considerable money. After two years in the far west he returned to Ohio by way of the Isthmus of Panama, well satisfied to spend his remaining days in the Buckeye State.

The first marriage of Mr. Buehler united him with Miss Sarah, daughter of William Brittan. This lady was born in Guernsey County, Ohio, and died in Licking County February 23, 1893, after having borne her husband three children, Joanna, now the wife of John Zimmerly, of Newark; William; and Frank, Lieutenant of Police at Newark. In 1894 Mr. Buehler was again married, choosing as his wife Mrs. Clara (Wells) Bernard, an estimable lady, who by her former marriage has two sons, Jones and Wells.

It is worthy of note that Mr. Buehler is the oldest member of the City Council in point of years of service in that body, having represented the Seventh Ward for many years. He has officiated as President and Vice-President of the Council. In him the Democratic party in this locality has one of its most devoted and loyal supporters. Socially he is a member of the Olive Branch Lodge, I. O. O. F. For a number of years he has been identified with the First Presbyterian Church, to the support of which he is a liberal contributor. He aided in the organization of the Newark Savings Bank, and is now a stockholder in that institution. In addition to his residence he owns considerable real estate in Newark, both improved and unimproved, and also owns a forty-acre tract just outside of the city limits.

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REV. DANIEL SHEPARDSON, D. D., founder of Shepardson College, at Granville, and one of the most eminent men in the Baptist Church in America, was born in Royalston, Worcester County, Mass., July 27, 1813, to Daniel and Prudence (Cook) Shepardson. His father was a carpenter by trade and also owned a farm of one hundred and fifty acres, on which the family resided. There he passed his boyhood days, receiving such educational advantages as the common schools afforded, and later attending the high school for one term, at the expiration of which he made a speech against the School Board and thus gained considerable local prominence.

Soon afterward our subject was engaged as teacher at Richmond, N. H., where he received $2 per week for a term of eight weeks. He was then employed in an adjacent district for a term of nine weeks with an increase of salary of twenty cents per week. At that time he weighed only ninety-six pounds and some of his pupils weighed twice that amount, but his kindness won the respect of all and there was little need of corporal punishment. The religious influences of the community were meagre, but one day Mr. Shepardson was handed a tract on which was printed the word "Eternity." This single word made a lasting impression on his mind and soon there arose a desire to attend college. He mentioned the matter to his father, who replied that all he possessed would not pay for a collegiate education. The son replied that it was not money he desired, but his father's consent and the remainder of the time that legally belonged to his father to use as his own. To this his father consented and our subject soon became a student in the New Ipswich (N. H.) Academy, where he was fitted for college.

In September, 1833, Mr. Shepardson entered Brown University at Providence, R. I., where he remained for two years. Being obliged to pay his way, he earned the money by teaching school. He also attended Amherst College for two years and later returned to Brown University in order to avail himself of the instruction given by Francis Wayland, an eminent scholar and the President of the university. Afterward he was engaged for five terms as Principal of the academy at Halifax, Vt., and for one year was a teacher in Franklin Academy at Shelburne Falls, Mass. He was successful as an instructor, but poor health obliged him to cease teaching.

With the intention of settling in Missouri, Mr.

Shepardson started west, traveling by stage to Albany, N. Y., thence by canal packet to Buffalo, by lake to Cleveland, and on to Newark, Ohio, by packet, which journey required nineteen days traveling both night and day. He visited the college at Granville and so favorably impressed some visitors from Zanesville that he was invited to visit that city, which he did, preaching in the Baptist Church. He stopped at the home of the father of Hon. S. S. Cox, and the Deacons of the church urged him to again visit Zanesville. In compliance with their wishes he returned to the city in June, 1841, and on the last day of the same year he was ordained to the ministry in the Market Street Baptist Church as their pastor, in which connection he remained for nearly four years.

In 1843 Mr. Shepardson attended a meeting at Dayton, Ohio, and was the guest of E. E. Barney, Trustee of the college at Granville, and whose son recently erected Barney Science Hall as a memorial to him. That institution was in straightened circumstances, and Dr. Jonathan Going, then the president, remarked in an agony of anxiety, "This day means life or death to Granville College," whereupon our subject drew up three resolutions, one of which read, "Resolved that we raise $15,000 for Granville College." At that time the college property was worth only about $5,000 and was carrying a large indebtedness. He also made an earnest talk in favor of the resolution and his appeal attracted the favorable notice of all present. Into such prominence, in fact, did it bring him that he was subsequently requested to become pastor of the First Baptist Church of Cincinnati. He accepted the pastorate, which he held more than ten years. During three years of this period about thirteen thousand people in the city died of cholera, including many of his parishioners, necessitating his attending as many as a dozen funerals in a week. In 1856 he resigned his pastorate and the next day accepted the principalship of the Woodward High School, which position he held for seven years, meanwhile preaching once a week in a church near Cincinnati. For sixteen years he was a member of the School Board and for seven years served as President of the Board of Examiners, thus being brought into close contact with the people. Owing to failure of his health, he removed to Cheviot, where he resided for three years and a-half, preaching to a small congregation which he had already served some five years. Later he preached the Gospel with very great success at Piqua, Miami County, for four years.

In 1868 Dr. Shepardson came to Granville, where he purchased from Dr. Stone the Young Ladies' Institute, and for nineteen years he conducted this school as a private enterprise, there being no Board of Trustees. He was, however, convinced that in order to make the school permanent it should be endowed, and acting upon that belief he gave the school in 1887 to the Baptist Church. That denomination endowed it with $100,000 and it has since been known as Shepardson College. At the present time our subject has no connection with the institution, except as a member of the Board of Trustees, but his name is indissolubly associated with its history as that of its wise founder and judicious supporter. For many years he has also been a Trustee of Denison University. The degree of A. M. has been conferred upon him by two universities. In 1871 he received the degree of D. D. from the Lewisburg (now the Bucknell) University. As a polished gentleman and ripe scholar, he has become widely and favorably known, and though now advanced in years, he retains his intellectual powers unimpaired. In politics he supports the measure, not the party, being independent in his opinions, but at all times he gives his influence to the cause of temperance, of right and justice.

In 1840 Dr. Shepardson married Harriet S. Wilcox, who died in Newark. They had one child, but it died in infancy. In 1843 he married Harriet Bestor Beard, who passed away in 1853, after having become the mother of a son and a daughter. The third marriage of Dr. Shepardson took place in 1854, his wife being Eliza A. Smart. Nine children resulted from this union, three of whom are deceased. The eldest, Mary E., is the wife Dr. H. S. Pomeroy, of Boston, Mass.; Eliza D. married Charles A. Marsh and died in Chicago; Josephine H. married F. W. Thorne and lives in Norfolk, Va.; Francis W., Ph. D., is a teacher and lecturer in the University of Chicago; George D., who graduated

from Denison University and subsequently was graduated in electrical engineering from Cornell University, is professor of that science in the University of Minnesota; Daniel, who received the degree of Ph. D. at Yale University and was formerly assistant to Dr. Henson of Chicago, is at present an invalid and resides with his father; John E. is a student in the Granville Academy.

CHARLES C. METZ. Equally influential in the commercial and social circles of Newark, this gentleman has gained prominence throughout Ohio as the senior member of the firm of Charles Metz & Bros., one of the most extensive as well as one of the oldest concerns of the kind in the state. They conduct both a retail and wholesale meat business, aggregating about $50,000 per year. Buying in large quantities in Chicago, St. Louis and Louisville, they butcher annually about four thousand head of cattle, hogs, veal and lambs, which they dispose of to butchers in Newark and surrounding towns. They manufacture triple brand mince meat and also sausages, and with the aid of the latest improved machinery, turn out large quantities of their products, made from the choicest materials.

The success which has attended this enterprise is largely due to its founder, the father of our subject, a man of great energy, excellent judgment and sound common sense. Charles C. Metz, Sr., was born in Saxony, whence he emigrated to America in his young manhood, and soon afterward settled at Newark. Prior to coming hither he had served as a soldier in the German army, in which he had risen to an official rank, but owing to a change of command that resulted in considerable hardship, he resigned from the service. For about four years he worked at his trade in Hamburg, and was similarly engaged in this country.

That Charles C. Metz, Sr., was a man of determination and energy may be judged from the fact that with a cash capital of $3 he embarked in business in Newark. Buying a hog with this money, he made some sausage which he peddled around the village. He thoroughly understood the business, and naturally was successful, establishing what became in time the largest meat market in Newark. He built a good residence, surrounded his family with all the comforts of life, purchased a place of business and accumulated a snug fortune.

In his religious connections, Mr. Metz was for some time a member of the Lutheran Church, and when dissension arose in that denomination in Newark, he was the principal factor in the organization of the German Presbyterian Church. In his contributions to the church and to all benevolent projects he was very liberal, and no worthy cause was ever refused his support. He voted the Democratic ticket, but took no further interest in politics, and always refused to accept office. His death occurred in 1871, at the age of about fifty-six. His wife still survives him and resides in Newark, at the age of seventy-eight years, with her two daughters.

The parental family comprised thirteen children, of whom seven attained years of maturity, viz.: Charles C.; Henry A., who married Elizabeth H. Hickey, has three living children, and for many years has been connected with the firm of Charles Metz & Bros.; Wilhelmina H., deceased; David C., also a member of the firm, who married Carrie A. Van Atta and has four children; John Frederick, whose wife, Mary Pyle, died leaving two children; Anna E. and Catherine R.

Referring to the life of our subject, we find that he was born in Newark December 9, 1842. His educational advantages were very limited in boyhood, his time being devoted to assisting his father in the market. As he approached manhood, he realized the need of a better education, and accordingly saving his money, paid his way through Duff's Commercial College at Pittsburgh, Pa. Later spending a short time in St. Louis, Mich.,

for the purpose of recruiting his health, he was a student in an academy at that place.

At Lancaster, Pa., May 8, 1878, occurred the marriage of Charles C. Metz and Miss Christa Abbie Smith, a niece of ex-Gov. Frederick Smyth, of New Hampshire. Her father, Gilman Chase, was a son of Stephen and Dolly (Rowe) Smith, and was born in Candia, N. H., where he was reared upon a farm. Soon after his marriage to Miss Abigail Martin, a native of Tunbridge, Vt., he settled in Manchester, N. H., where he engaged in business as a real-estate dealer, and also superintended the management of his farming property. He improved a number of lots in Manchester, which he rented, thus realizing a fair income from his investments. Politically a Democrat, he was not an aspirant for office, preferring to give his attention exclusively to his business interests. His death occurred in Manchester, N. H., when about seventy-five years of age.

The mother of Mrs. Metz died when she was a child of five years, and her father was again married, his second union resulting in the birth of the following children: Addie, wife of Arthur H. Hale; Belle, who died at the age of eighteen years; Emma and Leonard G., who still live in Manchester, N. H. Mrs. Metz was born in Manchester, N. H., December 1, 1856, and was one of nine children, seven of whom survived the death of their mother. Henry, was a soldier in the Union army, Fourth Vermont Regiment, during the Civil War, who died from the effects of service a few weeks after reaching home on a furlough; Wesley, a resident of San Diego, Cal., also served in the Sixth Massachusetts Regiment; Mary became the wife of Charles A. Merrill, of Granville Township, this county; Frederick, a resident of Kent, Ohio, married Lizzie Stevens, of Vermont, and had one child; Albion C. married Jessie Holden, of East Randolph, Vt.; they became the parents of three children, and also live in Kent; Christa Abbie and Anna are twins, the latter of whom died at the age of six years. The parents of this family were consistent members of the Baptist Church and generous contributors to its support.

As above stated, Mrs. Metz was only five years of age when death deprived her of a mother's care. After that she resided with her older brothers and sister in various places, receiving excellent school advantages. After spending two years at the Vermont State Normal School at Randolph, Vt., at the age of sixteen, she came to Ohio, where she attended Shepardson College at Granville, and later was a student in the Ohio Wesleyan College at Delaware. Her marriage has resulted in the birth of three children: Walter Charles, who was born February 1, 1879; Cora Abbie, November 1, 1880; and Henry Wesley, October 19, 1887. The family residence is pleasantly located at No. 20 North First Street.

The Democratic party finds in our subject one of its loyal supporters. While he has never sought or desired official honors, he has served in a number of local positions, including that of Township Treasurer. He is a stanch advocate of temperance principles, which he supports both by example and precept. In 1871 he organized a military company, which is still known as Company G, Ohio National Guards. It consisted of forty-six men under command of Colonel Geiger. Mr. Metz served as Second and later as First Lieutenant, but soon after his election to the Captaincy, he resigned to attend more closely to business. Reared in the Lutheran faith, he is now a member of the Episcopal Church, in which he is vestryman and one of the committee having in charge the building of the new house of worship. He aided in the organization of the Newark Board of Trade, of which he has been President for four years. In the organization of the Security Loan & Building Association he was a prime factor, and is now one of the Directors.

Fifteen years after the father of our subject embarked in the meat business, he took into partnership Charles C., Jr., and later Henry A. was made a member of the firm. Upon the death of the father, the firm style became Charles Metz & Bros., and so continues to the present. Besides their large meat market on West Main Street, they own one hundred square feet fronting on North Park Place, and other valuable real estate in different parts of the city. They also have a meat market in East Newark. The senior member of the firm is the general manager and looks after its finances.

Henry has for twenty years attended exclusively to the purchase of the requisite stock, and is considered an expert in that line. David is the superintendent of the killing and sausage department. The three brothers are progressive, capable and efficient business men, and well deserve the success which has rewarded their enterprise and perseverance.

BENJAMIN GREEN. The agricultural community is the foundation for true prosperity in the state, and in the homes of the farmers we may read the future of the country. The family represented by Mr. Green constitutes one of those industrious and enterprising households whose intelligence and integrity, common sense and practical knowledge influence all about them and conduce to the prosperity of the section in which they live. Their excellent farm, upon which is situated a pleasant home and good farm buildings, is one of the best in Monroe Township.

Throughout his entire life, a period of more than sixty years, the subject of this sketch has been identified with the history of Monroe Township. Here he was born July 26, 1832, to Rigneld and Sarah (Willison) Green, natives of Virginia. He was one of five sons and four daughters, five of whom are living, namely: Ibbie, who first married John Clouse, and is now the widow of John Evans; Nancy, wife of Abraham Mayfield, of Cromwell, Ind.; Sarah, whose first husband was Samuel Miller, and who now lives in Leipsic, Ohio, the widow of Abram Brake; Levina, wife of James Tippey, of Monroe Township; and Benjamin, of this sketch.

The father of this family was a farmer by occupation. He came to Ohio and settled near Lancaster with his parents about 1790. Thence he removed to Licking County and established his home in Monroe Township about 1803, purchased one hundred acres near the county line, which in a few years he sold. He bought two hundred acres on Raccoon Creek. He gave his attention to its improvement until his death, March 25, 1862, at the age of about seventy-five years. His wife survived him ten years, dying when about eighty. Both were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and he was licensed to preach in that denomination.

The paternal grandfather of our subject, Rigneld Green, was a native of Virginia and a farmer by occupation. He was several times married, having two sons by his first wife, and six by his second, who was the grandmother of our subject. He attained the great age of one hundred and ten years, and so remarkable was his activity and strength at an advanced age, that on the day he was one hundred years old he rode a horse on a gallop. The maternal grandfather of our subject was also a native of Virginia, probably a farmer by occupation, and lived to a ripe old age.

Benjamin Green was born and reared in Monroe Township, within two miles of his present home. His early education was received in the district schools, but his education has been gained principally in the school of practical knowledge. He remained with his father as long as he lived, then purchased his present home farm of eighty acres. This he owns and operates, also cultivating an eighty-acre tract that belongs to his wife, and is situated across the road from his land. Having lived in Monroe Township for so long a period, he has witnessed its wonderful development. When his father came to Licking County the Indians had not yet removed further west. Everything was in an unimproved state. Hardships were many and advantages few. Farmers had no implements save a single plow, a hoe, sickle and scythe. In spite of privations, however, those days were not unhappy ones, and are recalled with pleasure by the few survivors of those early times.

On the 24th of April, 1856, Mr. Green was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Degue) Clouse. Ten children were born of this union, four sons and six daughters, Granville W., Flora Adell, Marietta, Harry, Missouri, Horton, Helen, Hattie, Benjamin

W. and one that died in infancy. Marietta, Horton and Benjaman are also deceased. Granville married Miss Ruhamy Fitzwater, and they have two children, Benjamin and Pearl. Flora A., wife of Charles Williamson, has three children, Orie, Claude and Wandie. Harry chose as his wife Miss Jennie Crawford. Missouri married William Clouse, and they are the parents of two children, Leah and Gladys. In religious connections, Mr. and Mrs. Green are members of the United Brethren Church, in which he is serving as Trustee. Politically he is a Republican, and has filled the position of Township Trustee for two years. One of the progressive citizens of the community, he identifies himself with all that pertains to the upbuilding of the county's interests and welfare, and gives liberally to all worthy charities.

WILLIAM SPENCER EAGLE, whose name is well known among the farmers of Burlington Township, this county, was born in McDonough County, Ill., October 16, 1842. The genealogical record of the Eagle family has been published, and from that we find the name was formerly spelled Egle. Marcus Egle, the first representative of the family in America, was born in 1690 in Canton Zurich, Switzerland, and emigrating to this country, settled in Pennsylvania and became the progenitor of all of this name now living in the United States.

The grandfather of our subject, John Eagle, was born in Lancaster, Pa., and was the son of a brewer. In youth he learned the trade of a hatter in Philadelphia. He married Catherine Spencer, and early in the present century came to Ohio on foot and purchased property in Mt. Vernon, Knox County. He returned to Pennsylvania to bring his wife to the new home, but she objected to moving, fearing that the Indians still in Ohio might prove dangerous neighbors. For that reason Mr. Eagle remained in the Keystone State, where for nearly twenty years he followed his trade. In the spring of 1824 his wife and children removed to Ohio, and after a short visit with brothers in New York State he joined them there in the fall of the same year. Settling in Licking County, he remained here until his death, in 1837. His wife died in 1861 and their remains lie buried in Spencer Cemetery, in Newton Township.

Valentine Eagle, father of our subject, was one of twelve children and was born in Huntingdon County, Pa., on October 11, 1811. He came with the family to Ohio in 1824 and worked as a farm hand until he grew to manhood, after which for a number of years he was guard at the Ohio State Penitentiary in Columbus. About 1838 he married Maria Hines, a native of York County, Pa., but at the time of her marriage residing near Dayton, Ohio. While employed as guard he purchased one hundred and sixty acres in McDonough County, Ill., but upon removing thither he found the land was poor. He therefore rented land for four years, but being afflicted with ague and not liking the country, he returned to Ohio. In 1857 he purchased a small tract of land in Miller Township, Knox County, having removed to that county in 1855, where he has since resided. His wife died in May, 1888, after having become the mother of six children, John, William S., Mary V., Hiram, Catherine and Margaret L.

Our subject was two years old when the family returned to Ohio, and his earliest recollections are therefore entirely of the Buckeye State. In boyhood he attended the common schools, and early acquiring a knowledge of agriculture, chose for his life work the occupation of a farmer. On attaining his majority he went to Illinois and was employed as a farm laborer in McLean County. Returning to Licking County, he learned the trade of a carpenter, but his attention has been devoted principally to farming, and at different times he has resided on various farms near Utica. At present he occupies a well improved and valuable farm in Burlington Township.

In 1869 Mr. Eagle was united in marriage with Miss Martha, daughter of Henry and Sarah (McVeigh) Smith, and a native of Knox County, Ohio, being the only child of her parents. To this

union five children were born, namely: Ella M., born December 1, 1870; Charles O., June 11, 1873; Daisy D., June 12, 1875; Bessie, born August 14, 1877, and died September 20 of that year, and Roy S., born May 9, 1890. The daughters are both graduates of the Utica High School and have engaged in teaching. Politically Mr. Eagle affiliates with the Democratic party, to which he always gives his influence and vote. In religious connections he is a member of the Baptist Church. In Licking Lodge No. 291, A. F. & A. M., he has served as Worshipful Master for more than ten years.

JOHN DUMBAULD. The wonderful progress made by Licking County during the past half-century in the domains of agriculture, education and commerce has been witnessed by many men who now, in the twilight of their years, are surrounded by the comforts secured through arduous toil in earlier life. Such an one is John Dumbauld, a venerable agriculturist and pioneer of Liberty Township. His landed possessions in this township at one time consisted of one hundred and ninety-one and one-half acres, but at the present time, having disposed of a portion of his property, he owns one hundred and twenty-nine acres, constituting a valuable and well improved estate.

Our subject's paternal grandfather, Abram Dumbauld, was probably a native of Hagerstown, Md. He had a large family and attained to a good old age. Our subject's parents, Philip and Susanna (Weimer) Dumbauld, were born in Pennsylvania, where the father engaged in agricultural pursuits until his death, at the age of more than seventy. His widow afterward married his oldest brother; she was a devout member of the Lutheran Church and died when within two days of eighty-three years of age. Their family consisted of five children, four daughters and one son, John being the youngest of the number. He and his sister Catherine, wife of Robert Ramsey, of Daviess County, Ind., are the only survivors.

In the county of Fayette, Pa., where he was born August 7, 1813, our subject spent the years of boyhood and youth. After his mother married a second time he remained with his step-father for three years and was by him bound out to learn the weaver's trade. For a time he engaged in weaving table cloths, carpets, cover-lids and all kinds of cloth worn by men and women. After eight years thus occupied he embarked in farming pursuits, and in 1839 came to Ohio, remaining in Perry County for one summer. Prior to coming west he married and had three children. With a team he traveled on the National Pike to Zanesville, where he spent one summer. In September of 1839 he came to Licking County, of which he has since been a resident.

The first wife of our subject was Miss Elizabeth, daughter of John and Eve (Schneider) Vought, and they became the parents of eight children, namely: Jacob, Sallie D., Jeremiah, Rosanna, Elizabeth, Mary, Oscar and John. Jacob has been three times married, his first wife being Matilda Boyer, and four of their children are living, Dilemma, Sarah Ellen, Lester and Emmett. Sallie is the widow of Jared Miller and lives at her father's home. Jeremiah chose as his wife Miss Hannah Spellman. Rosanna, Mrs. George Carroll, has seven sons, Edward, John, George, Morris, Harry, Frank and William. Elizabeth had one son, Ross, by her first husband, William Somerville; she is now the wife of William Smith, whom she has borne two children, Ida and Arthur. Mary, wife of Rilen Spellman, has six children, John, Lillie, Minta, Benjamin, Burton and Susie. Oscar had one child, Eva, by his first wife, Martha Bryan; afterward he married Caroline Bostian, and they have two children, Earl and Lizzie. John, our subject's youngest son by his first marriage, died at the age of sixteen years. The wife and mother died April 6, 1849, aged thirty-six years, six months and twenty-four days.

On the 15th of November, 1849, Mr. Dumbauld married Miss Mary, daughter of David and Susanna (Stickle) Thorp. Five daughters and four

sons were born to them, Irena, Martha, Taylor, Jefferson, Jackson, Susanna, Catherine, George and one that died unnamed in infancy. Jackson and Catherine are deceased. Irena became the wife of Jared C. Ferguson, and they have four children, Myrtle, Grace, Burton and Leslie. Martha is the wife of Rev. Thomas Sigfried, a Baptist minister, and they have four children living, Rose B., Catherine, Ivy and Lillian. Taylor was first married to Belle Erhart, who bore him two children, William and George; his second wife was formerly Miss Eva Steffy. Jefferson married Ella Vance. Susanna, wife of Aaron Bishop, has two children, Taylor and Willis. George, who married Lenna Boggs, has two children, Mary and Casper. Mrs. Mary Dumbauld died July 24, 1880, in the faith of the Baptist Church, of which she had long been a member. In religious belief our subject is connected with the Congregational Church. Politically he gives his support to Republican principles. He is a man who is held in the highest esteem by all who know him, and his course in life has been such as to commend him to the confidence of the people.

HON. CHARLES B. GIFFIN, of Newark, was born in Mary Ann Township, Licking County, September 11, 1823, to the union of James and Rachael (Barnes) Giffin, natives respectively of Pennsylvania and Virginia. The mother was born on the farm where was fought the famous battle of Cedar Creek by General Sheridan, while the grandfather, Stephen Giffin, was born on board a ship on the Atlantic Ocean. At that time the family was en route from the North of Ireland to America, and arriving in this country, they made settlement in Westmoreland County, Pa., about 1751. Reared to manhood in the Keystone State, Stephen Giffin early became imbued with the spirit of patriotism and desire for national independence characteristic of the Colonies, and enlisting in the War of the Revolution, he served with the rank of Captain. Subsequently he resided in Pennsylvania until 1814, when he came to Ohio and settled in Mary Ann Township, Licking County.

In 1811 Charles Barnes, a native of Scotland, with his family removed from Virginia to Ohio and for two years lived at Newark, after which he settled in Mary Ann Township. He had served as a soldier in the celebrated Dunmore campaign against the Indians prior to the Revolutionary War. After coming to Mary Ann Township he selected a site for a cemetery and there in 1816 his remains were interred, being the first body buried in what is still known as Barnes Cemetery. Stephen Giffin, who was for some time a neighbor of Charles Barnes, later removed to Knox County, Ohio, where he died in 1838, and was buried at Martinsburg.

The father of our subject, James Giffin, was born in Westmoreland County, Pa., and by occupation was a farmer. In the Keystone State he married Jane Graham, who died after they settled in Mary Ann Township. At her death she left three children, Mary, Agnes and John. Subsequently he married the daughter of Charles Barnes, and they continued to reside in Mary Ann Township until 1832, when they removed to Martinsburg, Ohio. There his death occurred in 1837, at the age of fifty-eight. Two of his four children had preceded him in death, and the widowed mother, accompanied by the two surviving children, returned to Mary Ann Township, where she died in 1848. Her other son besides our subject was James H., formerly a homeopathic physician at Newark, where he died in 1861, upon the night made memorable in history by the firing of Ft. Sumter.

In Licking and Knox Counties the subject of this sketch passed the days of boyhood. In 1838 he came to Newark, where for some time he was variously employed at any work he could find to do. After spending a short time as an employe in a tannery, in 1840 he commenced to learn the business of a woolen manufacturer and was thus engaged until 1853, being a part owner of the mill from 1849 until 1853. The enterprise, however,

was not successful, and being obliged to seek other occupation, he entered a machine shop and learned the machinist's trade.

An old-line Whig in early life, Mr. Giffin was one of the first in this county to advocate the principles of the Republican party when it was organized in 1856. So prominent did he become as a representative of that political organization that in 1855 he was chosen the first candidate of the party for the Ohio State Legislature. He was elected and served for one term in a manner reflecting great credit upon his own abilities. Up to the present date (1894) he is the only Republican who has represented Licking County in the State Legislature. His election is the more noteworthy from the fact that the honor was entirely unsought on his part and came to him early in life, when he was a representative, not of the wealthy class, but of the working people, the honest, industrious and persevering mechanics and tradesmen who toil from day to day. There are now but thirteen survivors of the one hundred and fifty-three members of the Ohio Legislature of 1857.

Soon after the inauguration of President Lincoln, Mr. Giffin was appointed Postmaster at Newark, and was re-appointed by the same gentleman at his second term, but the assassination occurred before the appointment was confirmed. Later this was done by President Johnson, but as Mr. Giffin did not choose to act as a tool for the President, he has the distinction of having been the first official removed from office by that executive in Ohio. Returning to private life, he worked as a carpenter and contractor, and being an expert worker in wood, he was engaged for some time in manufacturing the molds for the glass works, etc. He has been identified for many years with the Pioneer Historical and Antiquarian Society, of which he is now the oldest surviving member. In it he has held a number of important offices and has also written a number of articles concerning the history of the county.

May 16, 1853, Mr. Giffin was made a Master Mason in Newark Lodge No. 97, of which he has served as Master, and since 1879 has been Secretary. He is also Past High Priest of Warren Chapter No. 6, R. A. M., and a member of Bigelow Council No. 7, R. & S. M. In his religious connections he holds membership in the First Presbyterian Church, of which he is Secretary. In 1848 he married Mary Hower, who was born near Carlisle, Pa., being a daughter of Jesse and Margaret Hower. They have had five children, the eldest of whom, Rachael, married J. D. Jones and died in Newark. Four are living, James H.; Retta, who is the wife of J. W. Latimer and resides in Milwaukee; William, and Jessie F., the wife of John D. Jones. The family residence is situated at No. 289 North Fourth Street.

ISAAC SLOCUM. Of the many patriotic defenders of the Old Flag during the dark war days, none furnished a more laudable example of heroism and devotion to principle than the subject of this sketch, one of Union Township's efficient and successful agriculturists. He was born June 9, 1841, on a farm near his present home. His father, Samuel, was born in Hampshire County, Va., in 1814, and after the death of his father in the Old Dominion, came to Licking County, Ohio, in 1828, accompanying his mother hither. In his former home he had been a bound boy, but ran away to escape from servitude. After settling in Ohio he spent three years at work constructing the Ohio canal.

After a sojourn of several years in Ohio, Samuel Slocum went back to Virginia, where in 1836 he married Miss Ann Martin, a native of Hardy County, Va., born March 5, 1813. With his young wife he returned to Licking County and settled upon a farm in Union Township, where for thirty-three years he engaged in agricultural pursuits, dying on the old homestead November 8, 1878. His widow, now in her eighty-second year (1894), is an inmate of our subject's home, and notwithstanding her advanced age, retains full possession of all her faculties.

Three sons and three daughters were born to bless the union of Samuel and Ann Slocum, namely:

Margaret, who died at the age of about six years; Isaac; Warren, who died when about two years old; Adeline, who died about two years after her marriage to Sylvester Stone; Israel, a farmer residing in Hebron, Ohio, who by his union with Martha Fristo has three children; Mary, Mrs. John Hickman, who became the mother of three children and died about 1888.

The subject of this sketch had passed the twenty-first anniversary of his birth when he enlisted as a member of Company B, One Hundred and Thirteenth Ohio Infantry. He was assigned to duty in the western department under General Sherman and with his regiment participated in the battles of Chickamauga, Lookout Mountain, Resaca, Missionary Ridge, Dalton and Kenesaw Mountain. In the last-named battle he received a wound June 27, 1864, which disabled him for life. A gun shot passing through his right thigh, fractured the bone to the extent that many pieces of bone were removed. Gangrene setting in, his life was despaired of. Upon five different occasions he was placed upon the amputating table to have the limb amputated, but the fracture being so near the hip joint the operation was considered extremely dangerous.

It is believed that there is but one case on record of a hip joint amputation where the patient survived and recovered. After consultation on these several occasions, it was decided to do the best they could to save the patient without attempting the operation. This they did with the result that our subject, while crippled for life, otherwise enjoys fair health. On receiving the wound he was granted a furlough and afterward was taken to the hospital at Columbus, Ohio, where he remained five months and was then discharged.

While in the hospital at Columbus Mr. Slocum married, March 2, 1865, Miss Matilda A., daughter of Thomas and Julia A. (Hite) Stone, of whom further mention is made in the sketch of Sylvester Stone. Four sons and two daughters were born to Mr. and Slocum, as follows: Rollin O., who was born May 29, 1866, and died February 7, 1877; Eleanora C., born December 26, 1867, and died January 21, 1877; Thomas O., who was born June 23, 1872, and resides with his parents; Julia A., whose birth occurred February 27, 1878; an infant, born and died December 27, 1880; and Linden H., born January 2, 1882.

The maternal grandfather of Mrs. Slocum, Valentine Hite, died February 11, 1864, in his seventy-third year; his wife, Mary M. (Shrop) Hite, died October 4, 1854, in her sixty-fourth year. They were early settlers of Licking Township, this county, to which they removed from Maryland, making the trip in a one-horse wagon. Great-grandfather Hite and his wife were sold for their passage money from Germany to America, the services of each being purchased by the same man in Little York, Pa. There they were married, and after their debt was paid they removed to Maryland.

In the ranks of the Democratic party in this section Mr. Slocum is an active worker. He has filled the majority of the local offices and has served as Supervisor for twelve years. With his wife and two eldest living children he is identified with the Licking Baptist Church. Socially he belongs to Lemert Post No. 71, G. A. R., at Newark.

THOMAS P. JONES. Among the representative agriculturists of Licking County, to whose industry, perseverance and energy is largely due the high standing of the county as a rich farming locality, it would be impossible to omit mentioning the name of Thomas P. Jones, the well known farmer and stock-raiser of Union Township. He is also an efficient public official, and by successive re-elections has held the office of Justice of the Peace since 1870.

A native of this county, our subject was born in Newton Township, October 15, 1835. His parents, Evan and Elizabeth (Powell) Jones, were natives respectively of the North of Wales and

the United States, the former born in 1793, and the latter in 1808. When a young man of twenty-eight, Evan Jones emigrated to America, reaching this country with an English shilling as his entire capital. After spending two years near Gettysburg, Pa., he came to Ohio, and was numbered among the early settlers of Licking County, where he married and engaged in farming. He also worked at the trade of a brickmaker for three years after coming to this country, in that way earning the money with which to make a payment on his land, and going into debt for the remainder of the property.

The parental family consisted of six children that attained maturity, and two that died in infancy. Our subject is the eldest of those now living, and is the only surviving son. Three of his sisters are unmarried and live in Newark, Jane, Sarah and Elizabeth. Jane has been a teacher in the high school of Newark for about twenty-six years; Sarah has been cashier for the mercantile firm of Prout & King for fifteen years, and Elizabeth is the housekeeper for the two first named. Ann is the wife of Harry Buckland, a prosperous farmer of Union Township. Hannah became the wife of Robert S. Wilson and lives in Winfield, Kan. The mother of these children died in 1852, and the father passed away in 1865.

After completing the studies of the common schools Mr. Jones attended Denison University, and there qualified himself for teaching, which profession he followed for three years. However, his father's failing health rendered it necessary for him to return home and assume the management of the farm. October 24, 1878, he was united in marriage with Miss Minerva J. Spangler, a native of Fairfield County, though at the time of her marriage a resident of Licking County. Her father, Solomon Spangler, is a farmer by occupation and resides near Pleasantville, Ohio; her mother died October 8, 1892.

Mrs. Jones was born September 11, 1850, and is the eldest of eight children born to the union of Solomon R. and Mary Ann (Macklin) Spangler, natives of Fairfield County, the former born in 1826, and the latter in 1827. Of the other members of the family we note the following: Laura Ellen is the wife of Ephraim Hancock, a resident of Union Township; William Theodore, a resident of Columbus, married Sarah Cupp and is employed as a conductor on the electric cars; Josiah Webster died of typhoid fever at the age of twenty-six years; Charles Henry married Mertie Spinny and resides in Roseville, Ohio; Thomas McClellan, a teacher by profession, is unmarried and lives with his father; Mary Irene is the wife of Henry Hoskinson, of Hebron; Minnie May keeps house for her father.

Six children have blessed the union of Mr. and Mrs. Jones, namely: Harry L., born September 27, 1879, now a student in the Newark schools; S. Guy, born September 7, 1881, also in school at Newark; Mary C., born June 28, 1883, and T. Edgar, born October 12, 1885, both in the Newark public schools; Laura May, born November 21, 1887, and Theodore Gale, January 31, 1893, who are with their parents. The four eldest children are receiving exceptionally good advantages for schooling, being with their aunt, who is a successful teacher in Newark.

The farm owned and operated by Mr. Jones consists of one hundred and twenty-seven acres in Union Township, upon which he engages in raising grain and stock. He is interested in political affairs, and is a recognized leader in the Democratic party in the township and county. In 1870 he was first elected to the office of Justice of the Peace, and has since been chosen for each successive term, the completion of his present term being twenty-seven years. Other positions of trust he has also filled with credit to himself. Socially, he affiliates with Hebron Lodge No. 116, A. F. & A. M., which he joined in 1863, and also belongs to Warren Chapter No. 6, R. A. M., of Newark. With his wife he holds membership in the Licking Baptist Church, and the three eldest children belong to the Newark Baptist Church.

The life of Mr. Jones exemplifies what may be accomplished by industry and perseverance. He has always been a hard-working man. Being the eldest son, he had to bear the brunt of the battle in subduing the forest and preparing the land for cultivation. At the death of his father he inherited an interest in the old homestead, and soon

afterward bought out the other heirs. Since then he has added to his property by the purchase of other lands, and now enjoys a success of which he is eminently worthy.

JAMES F. LINGAFELTER, Cashier of the Newark Savings Bank and Secretary of the Homestead Building & Savings Company, is numbered among the leading citizens of Newark. The bank of which he is the present Cashier was organized in 1887 as the Newark Savings Bank and was conducted by him as a private institution until April, 1890, when it was incorporated under the laws of the state of Ohio with a capital stock of $75,000 and the following officers: L. P. Schaus, President; R. Scheidler, Vice-President, and J. F. Lingafelter, Cashier.

The bank has had a very successful career. Dividends have been paid promptly and a surplus has been accumulated. There has been a steady increase of deposits, and the concern is now considered one of the solid financial institutions of the county. In it there are two departments—the mercantile and savings. In the latter fifty cents is accepted as a deposit and interest is allowed at the rate of three per cent. per annum. This is the first and only savings bank in the county, and has proved a success, filling a much needed want. About sixteen hundred persons have availed themselves of the advantages offered by this department and many have saved money who never did so before.

The Homestead Building & Savings Company was organized by Mr. Lingafelter in 1887, at the time he embarked in the banking business. It is incorporated under the state laws and has an authorized capital of $1,000,000. The officers are, L. P. Schaus, President; J. F. Lingafelter, Secretary, and William E. Miller, Treasurer. The enterprise has proved most successful, and over $500,000 has been loaned. On the 1st of January, 1894, there was a paid-up capital of $329,000, and in May, the same year, the resources were $168,000.

James F. Lingafelter is of German descent, his great-grandfather, Jacob Lingafelter, having come to this country from Germany and settled in Pennsylvania, where he died. The grandfather, Abraham Lingafelter, was born in the Keystone State and came to Ohio in 1822, settling on a farm in Newton Township, where he cleared and improved a farm. His death occurred at the age of ninety-seven years. His family numbered six children who lived to mature years, and of these William, father of our subject, was born in Newton Township, and there married. In 1866 he removed to Crawford County, Ill., where he now resides, surrounded by all the comforts of life. A Democrat in politics, he has always given his loyal support to that party. His wife bore the maiden name of Miss Margaret Riley, and is a native of Licking County.

Born in this county on the 20th of May, 1847, the subject of this sketch was reared upon a farm in Newton Township and attended the district schools. At the age of seventeen years, in 1864, he enlisted in Company H, Twenty-third Ohio Infantry, and served for thirteen months in the Department of the South. At the battle of Honey Hill, Ga., he was wounded in the right leg by a gun-shot, which disabled him for two months. He was mustered out of the service by the general order at the close of the war.

Returning home, Mr. Lingafelter, with the money received from the Government for service in the army, supported himself while attending the public schools of Pittsburg for eighteen months. Later he completed the commercial course in the Iron City Commercial College. He then accepted a position as bookkeeper in a wholesale grocery house in Allegheny City, which two years afterward he resigned to accept a clerkship in the County Recorder's office in Licking County. After five years as deputy, he was elected Recorder and officiated in that capacity for five years and eight months. He then resigned to accept the office of County Auditor, to which he was elected in 1880, and in which he served for six years.

Mr. Lingafelter studied law with Judge S. M.

Hunter, was admitted to the Bar in 1875, and engaged in active practice for five years. For some time he represented the old Second Ward as a member of the City Council, and during the last year of his service he was President of that body. He owns valuable real estate in various parts of the city, and his residence, on the corner of Church and Second Streets, is a beautiful brick mansion, one of the finest in this part of the state. Politically a Democrat, he has often served as delegate to local and state conventions, and has always been popular in the party, but since entering business he has given little attention to political affairs. In his religious belief he is a member of the Catholic Church. His wife, whom he married in April, 1873, was Miss Mary, daughter of John and Mary Lavin, and was born in New Jersey, coming with her parents to Licking County when a child. They have one son, Robert.

BYRON STANBERY, proprietor of "Oakland Hall" and one of the prominent residents of Madison Township, was born here in 1824. His paternal grandfather, Dr. Jonas Stanbery, who was the father of Hon. Henry Stanbery, President Johnson's Attorney-General, came to Ohio in an early day and settled at Zanesville, where he dealt in real estate during the remainder of his life. The father of our subject, Hon. William Stanbery, settled where the Orphans' Home now stands and purchased five hundred acres of land, erecting thereon a fine brick house, then considered the handsomest residence in this county.

In Licking County all the children were born except one, the eldest, James R., whose birth occured in New York. The father was a prominent character in the early settlement and organization of Licking County. During the Jacksonian period he was elected to Congress by the Democratic party, serving for two successive terms with distinction and credit to his constituency. About 1840 he retired from public life, purchased three hundred acres of land, and erected "Oakland Hall," where the survivors of his family now live. This structure has stood fifty-four years of service, and is now one of the landmarks of pioneer days, The land when purchased was heavily timbered and much of this now stands.

Hon. William Stanbery married Miss Mary Shippy, a native of New York, who died March 19, 1873, at the age of eighty-four. He passed away January 23, 1873, also at the age of eighty-four, having been born in 1789. They were the parents of five sons and three daughters, of whom two daughters and our subject still reside at "Oakland Hall." One of the daughters is Mrs. Charlotte Haliday, who with her four children finds a pleasant home amid the scenes of her girlhood. The other sister, Mary, the youngest of the children, presides over the family mansion, to which she hospitably welcomes their many friends. One of the brothers, William, Jr., a lawyer by profession, resides in Pekin, Ill., where he is engaged in milling and the insurance business. Another brother, James R., was for many years a prominent attorney of Newark, where he died in 1892; his widow died a few months later, and their four daughters still live in that city.

In the common schools of the locality our subject gained the rudiments of his education. He afterward entered the Ohio University, where he pursued the studies of the sophomore year. Leaving that institution, he entered the college at Granville, Ohio, now called Denison University, where he completed the course in mathematics. During the Mexican War he enlisted as Captain of Duncan's Company of Mounted Riflemen and served until the close of the conflict as a Sergeant. Under the late laws he has been granted a pension of $8 per month for service in the army.

After the close of the war Mr. Stanbery spent four years in Illinois, engaged in the grain and produce business at Morris, Grundy County. Disposing of his business there, he returned to the old homestead, where he has since remained. He is retired from active business, though he still superintends the farm. Much of his leisure time is devoted to the sport of hunting and he is also very

fond of fishing. As a citizen he is interested in progressive measures. For nine years he has been Justice of the Peace of Madison Township, and has also been appointed decennial appraiser of lands in this township. He and his sisters were reared in the Episcopalian faith, to which they still adhere. They are well informed and liberally educated and occupy a high social standing in the community.

GEORGE VAN ATTA. Superintendent of Cedar Hill Cemetery, at Newark, was born in Somerset, Perry County, Ohio, February 17, 1839. His father, the late Samuel Van Atta, was born in New Jersey May 31, 1796, and was a wagon-maker by trade, but for a number of years was employed in the Brooklyn Navy Yard. In the fall of 1838 he came to Perry County, Ohio, and in the spring of 1839 settled in Newton Township, Licking County. Upon the site of his original location now stands the village of Vanatta, named in his honor and that of his brothers. Here he followed his trade until his death, which occurred June 25, 1849.

A quiet, unassuming man, Samuel Van Atta received the confidence of his associates and was well known throughout the county. He was twice married, the first time March 7, 1819, when Miss Jane Stout became his wife. This lady was born December 17, 1801, and died August 14, 1823, after having become the mother of four children, viz.: Harriet S., deceased; Admiral a N., farmer residing in Newton Township, this county; Robert S., a resident of Logan, Hocking County, Ohio; and Jane, who is deceased. The second marriage of Samuel Van Atta was solemnized in New York City May 4, 1826, and united him with Miss Rebecca Corsa, whose birth occurred there January 30, 1801. The four children resulting from this union were: Ellen, who died in New York City; Charles, whose death also occurred in that city; Samuel, a resident of Findlay, Ohio, and George. The wife and mother died at the home of our subject in Newark, November 13, 1873.

Brought to Licking County in his infancy, our subject was reared to manhood in Newton Township and was only ten years old when death robbed him of a father's care. October 4, 1864, he enlisted as a member of Company F, First United States Veteran Engineers, and served until the close of the war. At Chattanooga, Tenn., he was severely wounded while assisting in building Ft. Phelps. On the Hiawassee River he was injured by a couple of saw logs falling on him and he barely escaped with his life. When the war was over he returned to Newton Township, and a few months afterward entered a commercial college at Bellefontaine, Ohio, where he conducted his studies for a time.

In the fall of 1866 Mr. Van Atta settled in Newark, where for several years he was employed as clerk in a hardware store, and was afterward engaged in the sale of agricultural implements. For three years he was employed as engineer of the glass works. In February, 1884, he was appointed chief engineer in charge of the steam and water works at the Boys' Industrial School near Lancaster, Ohio, and there remained until April, 1887, at which time he returned to Newark, and for a few months carried on an insurance business. In the spring of 1888 he was elected Clerk of Newark Township, which position he held for one term of two years. December 10, 1888, he received the appointment of Superintendent of Cedar Hill Cemetery, which position he has since filled to the satisfaction of all concerned.

At Mt. Vernon, Ohio, November 14, 1867, occurred the marriage of Mr. Van Atta and Miss Frances E. Parrott, who was born in Knox County, Ohio, February 10, 1845, being a daughter of David and Mary Parrott, residents of that county. The only child born of this union is Mary R., whose birth occurred in Newark, and who is now an accomplished young lady.

Socially Mr. Van Atta affiliates with Alpine Lodge No. 566, I. O. O. F., at Lancaster, Ohio,

and Hockhocking Encampment No. 28, of Lancaster. In earlier life he was especially active in Sunday-school work and served for some time as Superintendent. He and his family are members of the Fifth Street Baptist Church of Newark. He holds membership in the Association of American Cemetery Superintendents. While his life has been in the main a successful one, yet he has had his share of misfortunes, the most serious of which befell him while employed in the reform school at Lancaster. He there met with a most serious accident in the sawmill connected with the institution, resulting in the loss of the fingers of his left hand. He is a man who enjoys to an unusual degree the confidence and respect of his associates, and among the citizens of Newark few are better and none are more favorably known than he.

DANIEL T. CRAWSHAW, Postmaster at Hebron, and one of the successful business men of the village, was born in the city of Philadelphia June 29, 1839. He is the son of James Crawshaw, a native of Yorkshire, England, who emigrated to America and settled in Philadelphia at the age of twenty-one years. There he married Henrietta Debro, a native of Pennsylvania, who died in New Jersey at the age of about forty-five. Of their family of three sons and three daughters, only two are now living, viz.: James R. and Daniel T. The former is a carpenter and contractor at Des Moines, Iowa, and had the general superintendence of the construction of the State Capitol at Des Moines, a structure that cost over $2,000,000. A sister, Martha A., married Archie Christie, at one time Postmaster at Des Moines, where she died in 1893, at the age of about sixty-five years. The father of the family died of consumption at the age of about forty-five.

In Philadelphia our subject was a student in the public schools, which are in session the entire year excepting seven weeks. In the fall of 1856, at the age of seventeen years, he came to Ohio and settled in Union Township, Licking County, where for four years he was employed on the farm of William Dewees. About 1861 he began farming on his own account, and continued thus engaged until 1872, when he retired from agricultural pursuits and began to work at the carpenter's trade. For fourteen years he continued in the occupation of a contractor and builder, after which he engaged in the produce business at Hebron. For three years he devoted his attention to the buying and selling of produce, grain and seeds, and about 1889 embarked in the mercantile business, which he still conducts with success. In his store may be found a general line of dry goods, groceries, spices, tobaccos, hardware, small tools, notions, etc.

Aside from his business interests, Mr. Crawshaw is also prominently identified with the public affairs of the village and township. Since 1887 he has filled the position of Clerk of Union Township, and the care and neatness with which the records are kept prove that the office has fallen into good hands. At present (1894) he is serving the last half of his sixth year in this capacity, and in the spring of the present year was re-elected for another term of two years. Since November, 1888, he has been Notary Public. Interested in educational matters, he has served on the Board of Education in the village for several years, filling the offices of President and Clerk, as well as a member of the Board of Directors.

The first wife of Mr. Crawshaw was Armilda Beaver, whom he married in Hebron, August 17, 1862. She died November 23, 1870, after having become the mother of three children. The only one now living is Effie, wife of Edward Stroup, of Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa. She was reared in her uncle's family in Des Moines, Iowa, and was there married. Maggie Moore, who became the second wife of our subject, was born in Perry County, Ohio, and was married to Mr. Crawshaw March 18, 1877. Three children were born of this union, a daughter who died in infancy, and James O. and John L., now sixteen and twelve years of

age respectively. The wife and mother passed away June 4, 1887. The present companion of Mr. Crawshaw was Mrs. Mary A. (Vanasdal) Walters, a native of Hebron. One child blesses this union, Hazel Louisa, who was born January 5, 1890.

In the spring of 1872 Mr. Crawshaw visited Kansas with the intention of selecting a location there. He spent six months in the state and purchased some property there, but was not so favorably impressed with the country as to desire to establish his home there. Socially he is an active member of Williams Lodge No. 365, I. O. O. F., at Hebron, and has filled the principal chairs in the encampment. His wife is also a member of the Rebekah Lodge.

A life-long Democrat in politics, Mr. Crawshaw wields an important influence in local affairs, and is active and energetic in the advancement of public enterprises. For six years he has been a member of the Village Council, in which capacity he has labored to advance the welfare of the people. July 10, 1893, he was appointed Postmaster at Hebron and took possession of the office on the 1st of August following, since which time he has proved a capable and energetic official.

WILLIAM A. ROBERTSON.

William Alexander Robertson.

WILLIAM ALEXANDER ROBERTSON enjoys the distinction of being the oldest resident in the city of Utica, having been born here December 15, 1817. His father, William, was born near Chambersburg, Pa., December 7, 1787; he had six brothers, one of whom remained in Pennsylvania, and John settled in Muskingum County, this state. Three settled in Wooster, Ohio, and afterward spelled their family name Robinson and Robison. Another brother, James, came to Licking County in 1808 and bought about seventy-three acres of land, a part of which is now included in the corporate limits of Utica.

In youth William Robertson learned the trade of a cabinet-maker, and coming to Ohio in 1806, was thus employed in Zanesville, where he bought a lot and built the first house having a shingle roof. He came to the present site of Utica in 1809, and bought a half-interest in the land his brother had previously purchased. The following year the brothers built the old log mill, the first in the place, which they operated for about four years, when William purchased his brother's interest in the property and became sole owner. In January 1813, he returned to Pennsylvania, and at Chambersburg married Sarah, daughter of Alexander Robertson, and a cousin of his. Soon after their marriage the young couple started for their new home in the then far west, making the journey on horse-back. On arriving at Newark they stayed all night at Judge Wilson's, on the North Fork. The next morning they swam their horses across the Licking River and pursued their perilous journey. Arriving in sight of the cabin which was to be their home, they commenced crossing the creek, which was high and swift. When near the middle of the stream Mrs. Robertson's horse fell, throwing her into the water, but she was soon rescued by her husband and safely landed on shore. On the 4th of March 1813, they began housekeeping in their new home. In 1816 he platted a portion of his land into town lots and named the place Wilmington, but as there was already a town by that name in the state, he changed it to Utica.

Being a cabinet-maker, Mr. Robertson manufactured the first coffins used in Utica, but after his marriage he did but little work at his trade. In 1815, he built a grist-mill, which still stands, being

a part of the Utica Mills. (In digging the mill-race Mr. Robertson unearthed three ribs which measured about four feet in length, also a part of the vertebral column of the same animal.) He also added a saw-mill, and in about 1822 he added wool carding machinery. In 1832 he established a dry-goods store, and being successful, also purchased other property. He conducted these various lines of business until his death, which occurred November 7, 1840. His wife survived him thirty-seven years. In religious connections they were members of the United Presbyterian Church. In public affairs he was a man of some prominence and served as Justice of the Peace as early as 1816.

There were seven children in the parental family, viz.: Agnes, who married Jesse D. Arven and died in Utica; Margery, who first married William McCune and afterward became the wife of Samuel Patterson, dying in Iowa City, Iowa; William Alexander; Margaret, who married Joseph D. Rogers and died at Fostoria, Ohio; James, who died at Iowa City, Iowa; John D., whose death occurred at Utica; and Jane, who became the wife of Barton Condit and died in Champaign County, Ill.

The subject of this sketch was reared in Utica and can well remember when the Indians were as numerous as the whites. There were no schools worthy the name in the vicinity, and children were much more familiar with manual labor than books. In 1832, when his father opened a store, he took the position of clerk, and also assumed the responsibility of the business. When his father died he was appointed executor of the estate and gave his attention to it until settlement was made with the heirs. In 1845–46 he engaged in the mercantile business at Newark. In 1848 he became a dealer in grain and wool and continued the former until 1884, and the latter until 1893. Thus for sixty years he was a prominent business man of Utica, a longer period than anyone else has engaged in business here. He has met with success, and after having reared and educated his family and started them out in life, he still has a competence.

November 9, 1844, Mr. Robertson was united in marriage with Elizabeth S., daughter of Salathiel Chapman, of whom further mention is made in the sketch of S. A. Chapman. She was born at Ellington, Conn., May 8, 1827, and by her marriage became the mother of three daughters, namely: Alaphousene, wife of J. W. Hoag, of Galion, Ohio; Jennie, who resides with her father; and Lizzie, wife of John H. Arnold, of Leipsic, Putnam County, Ohio. Mrs. Robertson died at her home in Utica July 3, 1890, and her remains were interred in the cemetery at this place. In his religious views Mr. Robertson is a Presbyterian. Politically he was in early life a Whig, and since the organization of the Republican party has been a stanch supporter of its principles. He is a man of strict integrity, the highest principles of honor and loftiest ideals of truth and justice, and such has been the probity of his life that among the people of the county he occupies a high position.

DANIEL A. B. HUPP, a retired farmer and leading citizen of Franklin Township, was born in Shenandoah County, Va., May 1, 1818. His family history, so far as can be obtained, appears in the sketch of J. H. Hupp, presented on another page of this volume. In boyhood he accompanied his father to Licking County, and has since been a witness of the development of its material resources. The farm on which he now lives was entered from the Government prior to the organization of the county, the original owner being Esquire Isaiah Haskinson, the first Justice of the Peace in Licking County.

Our subject being the eldest son was early obliged to assist in the maintenance of the family. His father had at one time been well-to-do, but was obliged to pay notes which he had endorsed for friends, and came to this county a poor man. It is both instructive and amusing to hear Mr. Hupp's recital of his earlier experiences in school. In those days an arithmetic in the hands of the teacher was sufficient for the whole school; the teacher would "set down the sums" on the slates

and the pupils would then go to their seats and solve the problems. A spelling-book would be utilized by four or five pupils.

In that primitive way Mr. Hupp gained the rudiments of his education, to which he afterward added by studious habits and close observation. Growing to manhood amid rural scenes, he developed a stalwart physique and has always enjoyed excellent health. On the day preceding the thirtieth anniversay of his birth he married Miss Hannah, daughter of Andrew and granddaughter of Isaiah Haskinson, above mentioned. Seven children were born to them. The eldest, Sarah Elizabeth, was born February 25, 1849, and on the 27th of March, 1842, became the wife of Robert Richter, their union resulting in the birth of two children, Charles F. and Rosa. James Harrison, who was born April 23, 1851, married Esther A. Myers April 13, 1876, and they have two daughters, Daisy and Lulu.

The next in order of birth is Balser Jackson, born June 16, 1853; he chose as his wife Mattie J. McKee, and they have six children, Daniel, William, Winfield, Goldie, Laura and Martha Frances. John Franklin was born September 28, 1855, and died September 23, 1856. Mary Jane, who was born July 18, 1858, married D. M. Haskinson, and they live in Adams County, Ind. Andrew Jackson, who was born May 13, 1859, is unmarried and at present is engaged in mining in Montana. Charles Matthew, born October 13, 1863, operated a store at Linnville, Ohio, for some years, and afterward went on the road as a traveling salesman; he is now a resident of Columbus, Ohio, where he has a good position. The mother of these children was born in Franklin Township November 6, 1823, and is an estimable lady, whose life has been devoted to the welfare and best interests of her family.

Possessing an excellent memory and good conversational ability, Mr. Hupp is a genial and entertaining companion. He is very fluent in his description of some of the methods employed by the pioneers in order to keep the wolf from the door. Among these devices may be mentioned the grinding of corn and wheat in the burnt hollow of a stump with an iron wedge for a pestle; carrying a bushel of wheat or corn on horseback or on foot, and hunting wild animals for fur and food.

Active and energetic in public affairs, Mr. Hupp has been a life-long Democrat. While not identified with any denomination, he has contributed of his means to the building of churches and the support of the Gospel. With his children he has been liberal, giving each of them a good start in life. At the present time he retains the ownership of one hundred acres of land, the general management of which he superintends, though not actively engaged in its cultivation.

FRANCIS MARION HAYNES, a prominent farmer and well known citizen of Hanover Township, was born in Newton, Greene County, Pa., September 30, 1853. He is the son of James and Mary Ann (Ashley) Haynes, natives of Newton, the former born August 2, 1833, and the latter September 30, 1832. They are now residents of Wadestown, Monongahela County, W. Va., where the father is a leading citizen and well-to-do retired farmer.

In the paternal family there were four sons and three daughters, of whom the subject of this sketch is the eldest, he having been born on the twenty-first anniversary of his mother's birth. The others are: Rev. Lorenzo Dow Haynes, a minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church and now a resident of Florida; Nina, the wife of Calvin C. Harter, an extensive breeder of thoroughbred stock and a resident of Wadestown, W. Va.; Caleb, who died at the age of about nine years; Ella, who at the age of nineteen was married to John Anderson, and who died the following year, leaving an infant daughter now with Mrs. Harter; Nancy J., who died at the early age of two years; Jefferson D., who is single and makes his home with his parents, being the owner of a furniture

store at Wadestown, and another at Jollytown, Greene County, Pa.

When our subject was two years old he was taken by his parents to West Virginia, and in Wadestown he passed the years of boyhood, being a student in the common schools prior to the age of fourteen. He then purchased his time of his father and embarked on the ocean of life for himself. He was only fourteen when he began teaching school in West Virginia, and he continued in that profession for a period of ten years. During the intervals between school terms, he conducted his literary studies under the tutelage of capable instructors and also learned the trade of a brick moulder. He moulded the brick used in the construction of the Baltimore & Ohio shops, and also that used in the court house. He taught country schools principally, the winter terms being only about four months long. As an instructor he was conscientious, capable and in advance of the period, introducing modern ideas and methods in his pedagogical work.

April 19, 1877, Mr. Haynes was united in marriage with Miss Alice Florence Romine, daughter of the late John W. and Caroline E. Romine. He is now serving as administrator of his father-in-law's estate. In politics he is a Democrat and a recognized leader of his party in the township. In supporting the principles of his party, he is following the example set by his father. In 1894 he was a candidate for the nomination of the office of Commissioner of Licking County, and is now making the canvass with nine other candidates for the same position. This is his first attempt for himself in political work and he is to be congratulated, whether successful or not, owing to the character of his competitors and the certainty of the election of the nominee.

Socially Mr. Haynes is a member of Newark Lodge No. 13, K. P., and a charter member of Acme Lodge No. 554, A. F. & A. M., in Newark. Immediately after his marriage he removed to Greendale, Hocking County, Ohio, where he taught school for one year. Thence going to Newark he engaged with the Baltimore & Ohio Railway Company as time-keeper for about seven years. Afterward he filled the position of Division Clerk and had charge of the machinery department accounts for the Ohio Division, continuing thus engaged until August 1, 1893.

On the 1st of April, 1891, Mr. Haynes purchased his present farm and moved thereon, driving to and from his work nights and mornings for two years. The farm is situated seven miles east of Newark and consists of two hundred and six acres of finely improved land located on the famous Licking bottom. Upon this place he has made excellent improvements, including a cozy residence, substantial barns, a fine orchard, etc. Since retiring from railroad work he has given his exclusive attention to agriculture and has met with a success richly merited by his indefatigable efforts. In addition to this property he owns a farm in Licking Township, Muskingum County, the management of which he superintends, though the land is leased.

HON. LEWIS EVANS, of Newark, who is now living in comparative retirement at "Myrtle Hall," No. 269 North Third Street, is well known not only as one of the oldest surviving settlers of this city, but also as one of the most influential men in the county. For years his name was intimately associated with the development of the resources of this place, and perhaps no citizen has contributed more largely to its progress than has he. Having lived here for almost seventy years, he has witnessed its growth from a straggling, unimportant hamlet to a prosperous city, with widely extended influence.

The Evans family is of Welsh origin. Joseph Evans married for his second wife Miss Ann Lewis, and they came to Licking County early in the present century. Upon a farm in Newton Township their son Lewis was born January 18, 1818. As free schools had not yet been introduced, he was sent in childhood to the subscrip-

tion schools, and the knowledge there gained was afterward supplemented by reading. In early life he learned the trade of a carpenter and joiner, at which he worked for some years, doing a large amount of business as a contractor and builder.

In 1850 Mr. Evans was appointed superintendent of the Ohio Canal, an important and responsible position which he filled with the greatest efficiency for six years. His entire life has been spent in Licking County and he has been a resident of Newark since the age of eight years, being, as above stated, one of the oldest settlers now living in the city. Politically he has always been a stanch advocate of Democratic principles and for years was one of the leaders of that party in Licking County. He was a delegate to the convention that nominated James Buchanan, and during the administration of that president he served as superintendent of the folding department of the House at Washington.

Upon the Democratic ticket Mr. Evans was elected Treasurer of Licking County, in which capacity he served for four years, being the incumbent of the office at the outbreak of the Civil War. In 1872–73 he represented the counties of Licking and Delaware in the State Senate, where his fidelity to the interests of his constituents won for him their confidence and esteem. For some years past he has devoted his attention largely to the supervision of his farm in Newark Township, consisting of sixty acres of well improved land.

In 1841 occurred the marriage of Lewis Evans and Miss Harriet Conrad. This lady was born in Newtown, Va., and when a child came to Licking County in company with her parents, Isaac and Mary Conrad. Their union was blessed by the birth of one son and three daughters, of whom we note following: Mary E. is the wife of J. W. Himes, who is the principal proprietor of the Himes Knitting Company of Saratoga County, N. Y.; Charles L. is a civil engineer by profession; Ellen A. married J. W. Blair, a railroad man of Newark; and Hattie C. is the wife of Charles E. Wise, a telegraph operator at Newark.

In his social connections Mr. Evans is one of the oldest Masons in Newark. He is a member of Newark Lodge No. 97, A. F. & A. M.; Warren Lodge No. 6, R. A. M.; Mt. Vernon Commandery No. 1, K. T., of Columbus, Ohio, and received the Knights Templar degree at Washington, D. C. He has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church since fifteen years of age, and has long been one of the active workers in that denomination.

EDWARD HICKEY. As one of the native-born sons of Licking County and one of the leading citizens of Utica, we present to our readers the name of Edward Hickey. He was born in Madison Township, this county, November 2, 1818, and is a son of William and Sarah (Shambaugh) Hickey. His paternal grandfather, Edward Hickey, was born in Cork, Ireland, about the middle of the last century, and coming to America during Colonial days, served as a soldier in the War for Independence. Later he settled in Virginia, where he married and reared a large family. After the death of his wife he came to Ohio, and died in Licking County at the age of seventy-five years.

The father of our subject, William Hickey, was born near Winchester, Va., August 4, 1797. At the age of seventeen he enlisted in the state militia, and was in service at Norfolk when he was taken ill. The War of 1812 being then in progress, and one of his brothers being an officer in the regular army, he joined his brother's command and thus received good care until his health was restored, and then served until the close of the conflict. In the fall of 1815 he accompanied his married sister to Ohio and became a resident of Licking County.

Early in the year of 1818 William Hickey married Sarah Shambaugh, who was born in Warren County, Va., being a daughter of Philip Shambaugh. The family came to Ohio in the fall of 1814 and settled in Muskingum County, where she resided until her marriage. In 1827 Mr. Hickey purchased some school land in Mary Ann Town-

ship, on which was a log cabin and a small clearing. As time passed by he added to his holdings until his possessions aggregated eight hundred acres. His wife died in 1848, leaving five children, of whom Edward is the eldest.

Of the others we note the following: Henry, born June 29, 1820, married Mary, daughter of Henry Wilkin, and in 1852 removed to Putnam County, where he became a well-to-do agriculturist. His wife died in 1865, leaving four children. He afterward was again married, and died April 18, 1871. His children are, William H., now a physician in Putnam County; Rees, a farmer of Putnam County; Rolla, of Lima, and Lena, who after the death of her mother was reared in the family of our subject, and April 6, 1891, married Charles F. Stolzenbach. They reside in Lima, Ohio, and have one son, Edward Hickey, who was born April 26, 1893.

The third son in the family was Joseph, who died in 1887; Allen, a resident of Des Moines, Iowa, is a minister in the Christian Church and editor of a paper; Belinda, the only daughter, married G. J. Roe and died in Licking County. The father of these children was a second time married, by that union becoming the father of two children, Elizabeth, the wife of Henry Metz, of Newark; and William, a resident of Mary Ann Township. The father passed away September 6, 1890.

Upon the home farm our subject was reared to manhood. November 19, 1839, he married Barbara, daughter of Daniel Wilkin, and a native of Newark Township, born September 14, 1818. After his marriage Mr. Hickey settled on a farm in Washington Township, where he engaged in tiling the soil for eight years. Mrs. Hickey died October 16, 1866, and November 5, 1867, he married May Wilkin, a sister of his first wife. Removing from Washington Township to Mary Ann Township, Mr. Hickey continued farming until 1871, when he came to Utica. Though not now actively engaged in business, he is by no means idle, but finds in the management of his interests sufficient to occupy his time and attention.

In politics a Republican, Mr. Hickey has served as Justice of the Peace for twelve years, and for four years has been a member of the City Council. He takes an interest in educational matters and has been a member of the School Board for seven years. Before coming to Utica he filled the position of Assessor in Mary Ann Township. One of his prominent characteristics is his remarkable memory; he is able to give the exact date of all important events with which his personal history has been associated. In religious belief he is a consistent Christian, and both he and his wife have been active members of the Methodist Episcopal Church since 1858.

CHARLES B. ARNDT is well known throughout the county as one of the successful merchants of Hanover. He was born in Circleville, Ohio, September 21, 1836, to the union of Elias and Clarissa (Daniel) Arndt, natives of Pennsylvania. The father was of French parentage, while the mother was of English descent. At the time of coming to Circleville, they were married and had one child. The family consisted of four sons and two daughters, of whom Catherine E., the eldest, died unmarried at the age of about forty years. Charles B. was the next in order of birth. George W. died during the war on board a boat on the Ohio River, and the place of his burial is unknown to his relatives. John E., a widower, resides in Taylorsville, Muskingum County, and works on a Government steamboat. Barnhart, who died in Bloomfield at the age of about two years, was buried in a private cemetery on his grandfather's farm. Caroline S. A. married Nimrod Huffman, a farmer of Muskingum County, living near Duncan's Falls. Horace D., a resident of Hanover, is married and has one child.

After having attended for some time the schools of Circleville, our subject was for two years a student in the public schools of Zanesville, Ohio, and also was a student at Taylorsville for a time. In childhood he was delicate, and as he grew to mature years, he was still by no means strong. Learn-

ing the glass-maker's business, he became somewhat proficient at the trade, and was employed in the Zanesville Window Glass and Vial Factory. He followed the river from Zanesville to Pittsburgh and Marietta, Cincinnati and other cities, and became a very proficient cook, which is considered an accomplishment in a steamboatman's life.

Leaving the river, Mr. Arndt began work on the Ohio Canal, where he owned and managed a boat until the spring of 1871. While operating his boat on the canal, he had a contract for delivering some lock stone for the Winchester Lock, being employed by the state of Ohio. While so engaged, he received an injury which made him a cripple for the balance of his life. Accidentally a large stone fell upon and crushed his left leg, resulting in the removal of about three inches of the shin bone. This space is partially filled with a cartilaginous formation, but it is not knitted. This accident disabled him for any kind of business for the greater part of two years, though he did some business in contracting and delivering coal from the mines to consumers in Newark and elsewhere.

In 1871 Mr. Arndt erected a cheap building, 16 x24 feet in dimensions, in which he began business with a limited stock of groceries, afterward adding dry-goods and drugs. The building was later enlarged, and finally, becoming too small for the increasing business, was abandoned altogether. Mr. Arndt then erected his present commodious building, 62x28, two stories in height, which is well filled with a large stock of general merchandise. All kinds of farm produce are bought, either in exchange for goods or cash, and in addition to this, Mr. Arndt handles hardware and engages in the coal business. He was also associated with a Mr. Yancy in the manufacture of cigars, employing at one time ten or more men, but this business, however, is suspended for the present.

In 1887 Mr. Arndt was united in marriage with Miss Mary H., daughter of Daniel A. Fleming, a resident of Perry Township, this county. The three children born to this union, Clarissa Catherine, Maggie F. and Caroline Susanna, are six, four and two years of age, respectively. In political faith Mr. Arndt is a Republican, though not active in public affairs. He is a representative business man, one whose honesty and devotion to right principles, coupled with industry and economy, have enabled him to accumulate a snug amount and establish a prosperous business.

DAVID McCONNELL. A foremost position among the business men of Utica is held by the subject of this sketch, who is a member of the firm of Sinsabaugh & McConnell, contractors and builders, also owners and operators of a sawmill and planing-mill at this place. The firm, which was formed in 1879, consisted of David and James Sinsabaugh and David McConnell, the name of the firm being Sinsabaugh, McConnell & Co., under whose capable supervision are conducted the principal contracting and building of the city. In 1881 they purchased a sawmill, to which they have since added planing-mill machinery, and now conduct one of the important business enterprises of Utica. In the spring of 1893, David Sinsabaugh sold his interest to his partners and the firm is now Sinsabaugh & McConnell.

A native of Licking County, Mr. McConnell was born in Burlington Township, March 15, 1833, being a son of John and Esther (Yates) McConnell. His parents were born, reared and married in Virginia, and thence sometime during the '30s came to Licking County and settled in Burlington Township, when it was principally forest. Here both died, the father in May, 1845, and the mother in 1876, aged seventy-seven years. They were the parents of three children, Mary, David and Emily. The last-named died in 1878.

The paternal grandfather of our subject, Samuel McConnell, was a native of Ohio County, Va. The maternal grandfather, David Yates, was born in the North of Ireland, being of Scotch descent. In early manhood he came to America, and during

a short sojourn in New Jersey married Sarah Caffey, a native of that state. Later they settled in Virginia, thence removed to what is now West Virginia, and from there came to Ohio and settled in Burlington Township, Licking County, where Mr. Yates died in 1847, and Mrs. Yates some twelve years later. In religious belief he was a Presbyterian and for a long time served as an Elder in the church.

Upon the home farm David McConnell was reared to manhood, meantime attending the district schools and also studying for two years in the Utica schools. He tilled the soil until thirty years of age, when he began to work at the trade of a carpenter. In 1877 he became associated with his present partners in building and contracting, and in that line he has met with more than ordinary success. Since 1850 he has been a resident of Utica, of which he is one of the oldest citizens. He has ever been interested in the welfare of the town and a generous contributor to its progressive enterprises.

While never a partisan, Mr. McConnell entertains a decided preference for the Republican party, the principles of which he upholds with fidelity. He has never married, but makes his home with his sister, a cultured and intelligent lady. His course in life has been such as to commend him to the confidence of his associates, and he is numbered among the representative and capable business men of Utica.

AMOS ATWOOD. A well known business house of Hebron is that of Atwood & Kelsey, dealers in produce, grain, seeds, coal, hay, farm machinery, etc. The enterprise was established by our subject in 1890, and in July, 1893, Milton Kelsey purchased an interest in the concern, which has had a steady growth from its inception until the present time. Shipments are made to various points over the Toledo & Ohio Central Railroad, the work being facilitated by means of a large elevator. In every respect the firm is well equipped for business, and such is the success with which the work is carried on that the annual sales average $70,000.

Referring to the ancestry of our subject, we find that his paternal grandfather settled in an early day near Zanesville, Muskingum County, Ohio, where his life was ended. The maternal grandparents were early settlers of Fallsbury Township, Licking County, and were highly regarded among the pioneers of their day. The father of our subject, James Atwood, was born in Virginia, but removed thence to Ohio in childhood. He first married Hannah Haynes, and four children were born of the union, Elizabeth, Mary A., Lydia and Nathan, deceased. Afterward he married Annie Priest, a native of Ohio, who died when our subject was five years old. The father attained a good old age, his death occurring in this county in 1890, at the age of ninety-one.

Five children comprised the family of James and Annie Atwood, of whom Amos is the youngest. Of the others we note the following: Annie, Mrs. Slocum, resides in Columbus; Polly died when about sixteen years old; Miner, a soldier during the late war, contracted disability there, from which he died in 1884; his wife died in the spring of the following year and six children were thus orphaned; James W., a farmer by occupation, lives in Muskingum County.

A native of Licking County, Amos Atwood was born in Fallsbury Township, September 11, 1853. At the age of thirteen years he removed to Ashland County, where he was a student in the common schools. Learning the carpenter's trade in Ashland, he was thus engaged until 1878, and from that time until 1884 was engaged in running a mail and hack line between Bladensburg and Utica, Ohio. In 1878 he was united in marriage with Miss Frances Hoyt, and two children resulted from the union, Septimus and Maude, who live with their grandfather, Jackson Hoyt, in Perry Township. After six years of wedded life, Mrs. Frances Atwood passed away, in September, 1884. After her death our subject was for a time prostrated with sickness and suffered greatly with rheumatism. He went to the magnetic springs in

Union County, where he remained one year and was greatly benefited by the treatment. On leaving that place he worked at his trade in Newark for a year.

In 1888 Mr. Atwood married Sadie E. Tygard, a native of Virginia, and three children bless this union, Harry, Wilmer and Ray Lounts. Some years ago Mr. Atwood formed a partnership with Mr. Chism in the coal and hay business at Hebron. A few months later he bought his partner's interest and continued the business alone, adding grain and farming machinery. In July, 1893, he took into partnership Milton Kelsey, who has since been the junior member of the firm.

Socially, Mr. Atwood is identified with the Hebron Lodge No. 116, A. F. & A. M., at Hebron, and the Williams Lodge No. 363, I. O. O. F., at Hebron, being an official member of the latter organization. Early in life he was a Democrat, but since 1880 he has supported the principles of the Republican party. He is a believer in religion and an upholder of the truths of the Gospel, but at the present time is not connected with any church organization.

SAMUEL J. DAVIS, solicitor of pension claims at Newark, dates his residence in this city from 1853. He is a native of Wales and was born July 24, 1834, to John and Rachel (Griffith) Davis. His parents were life-long residents of Wales, where the father engaged in farming. There were three sons in the family, the eldest of whom, David, emigrated to the United States in 1851, and settling in Newark, here followed the trade of a stone mason. In the spring of 1854 he went to California, where he worked in the gold mines and later was employed at his trade. Thomas, a farmer by occupation, died in Wales in 1893, leaving a family.

At the age of ten years our subject was orphaned by his father's death, after which he was obliged to earn his own livelihood. When thirteen years old he commenced to work in the iron ore mines, being thus engaged until eighteen years old, when he crossed the Atlantic to the United States and proceeded direct to Newark, where his brother at that time resided. After working with him at the stone mason's trade for six months, he engaged in stone cutting and furnace building in Kentucky. In July, 1854, he returned to this state and pursued similar work in the Monroe furnace, near Oak Hill.

At that place, in August, 1854, Mr. Davis met with the misfortune of having his leg crushed and was obliged to have the limb amputated. Upon recovering, he attended school in Newark about eight months, which was his first schooling since eleven years of age. He was then appointed Deputy Recorder for Licking County, in which capacity he served for four years. In 1861 he visited Washington, D. C., to see the inauguration of President Lincoln, and while there he applied for an appointment. Through the influence of Senator B. F. Wade he secured a clerkship in the census office March 11, 1861, remaining in that position until July 3, 1863. He was then transferred to the pension office and there remained until May 17, 1885, when he tendered his resignation and returned to Newark.

Politically Mr. Davis is a Republican and has long been prominent in that party. Twice he was the candidate of the party for State Senator, and although he ran ahead of his ticket, he was defeated, the party being in the minority. So close, however, was the race the second time that he came within one hundred and fifty votes of being elected. In 1888 he was a delegate to the Republican National Convention in Chicago and also served in a similar capacity to the State Convention which nominated William McKinley, Jr., Governor of Ohio, the first time he was a candidate for that office.

In 1861 Mr. Davis married Jerusha, daughter of Thomas D. Jones, a native of Newark. This lady died in 1862, and October 19, 1869, Mr. Davis was again married, his wife being Mary, daughter of Evan Jones and a native of this city. In religious belief Mr. Davis is a member of the Welsh Con-

gregational Church and a generous contributor to benevolent projects. They have an attractive home at No. 118 Granville Street.

STEWART WILSON, a retired farmer living in Madison Township, was born in Huntingdon County, Pa., November 27, 1809, and is therefore at this writing (1894) in his eighty-fifth year. Notwithstanding his advanced age he is hale and hearty and in full possession of all his faculties. In 1816 he came to Fairfield County, Ohio, whence he removed to his present farm in 1819.

The parents of our subject, Alexander and Catherine (Wilson) Wilson, though bearing the same name, were not members of the same family. The distinction between the two families, as told by our subject, is this: The father's family were dark complexioned people, with dark hair, while his mother's people were fair, with red hair. Hence they were named in distinction the "black Wilsons" and the "red Wilsons." Alexander Wilson was born in this country, probably near Philadelphia, Pa., though the exact location is not known. His wife was a native of Ireland and accompanied her parents to America when a child of seven years. Both died in Licking County, the mother August 5, 1836, and the father May 29, 1839. They were buried on the home farm, and when, fifty-five years later, their bodies were exhumed for the purpose of removal to the Newark Cemetery, nothing remained in the coffins but dust, a few bones and a little hair.

The mother of our subject was twice married, her first husband being James Stewart, to whom she bore three sons and one daughter, but at present none of them survive, so far as known. The only child of the second marriage of Mrs. Wilson was the subject of this sketch, who in childhood attended the subscription schools of Fairfield and Licking Counties. His marriage occurred in this county about sixty years ago and united him with Lavina Cornell, who was born in Granville Township, and died January 20, 1880, aged sixty-seven years. She was a daughter of Gideon and Julia (Lobdell) Cornell, the former born in Massachusetts of English descent, and the latter born in Philadelphia, Pa., of German ancestry. In 1805 they came from Connecticut to Ohio with a colony of about forty families, who settled near Granville.

Mr. Cornell became a prominent business man of Newark, of which he was an early settler. He was a man of noble character and was highly connected, his father having been a member of a titled family of Leeds, England, who, however, disinherited him on account of his marriage outside of the nobility. A cousin of Mr. Cornell was a patron of Cornell University, as well as its founder. Mrs. Wilson was one of a family of four sons and seven daughters, only five of whom are now living, viz.: Ann, the widow of Dr. Robert Anderson, residing in Columbus; Elmira, Mrs. Bean, who lives in Des Moines, Iowa; Mrs. Naomi Spellman, of Zanesville, Ohio; Mrs. Elizabeth Wells, of Union County, this state; and Gideon J., formerly a banker and broker, but now engaged as Government gauger in Arizona.

The four sons and four daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson are still living. Alexander resides in Kentucky; Eliza Jane, the wife of James Simpson, resides in Columbus, Ohio; Carolina, Mrs. Emmett Patterson, lives in this township, within a mile of the parental home; Israel, living near Granville, married Mary Spellman, and has two sons and three daughters; Catherine and Robert are twins, the former being the housekeeper for and companion of her aged father, while the latter is married and lives in Kansas; Leander and Leanna are also twins, the former unmarried and operating the home farm, while the latter is the wife of Hamlin Montgomery, of Hanover Township, and they have two sons.

Politically, Mr. Wilson has followed in the footsteps of his father (who was a Whig), and has voted the Republican ticket since the organization of the party. Three of his sons were in the Union army during the Civil War, Alexander responding to the call for one hundred-day men,

while Robert and Israel enlisted in 1861 and saw much hard service at the front. For ten months Robert was a prisoner in several of the prison pens of the south, and was on board the fated "Sultana" when she was blown up. After swimming a mile and a-half, he and his companion, Burrus Van Horn, caught a root of a tree, to which they clung. Finally the friend was obliged to let go and found a watery grave. Robert was picked up by a rescuing party the following morning. His hair and the skin on his head were burned to a crisp by the heat of the burning boat, and he returned home in broken health and with a ruined constitution.

In the closing years of his useful life Mr. Wilson possesses, as he has throughout his entire career, the esteem and confidence of all his acquaintances. It is the special care and pride of his son and daughter to minister to his temporal wants in his declining days. He is a man of firm religious belief and is identified with the Methodist Episcopal Church, which he joined in 1840. His wife also died in the faith of that church. She was an exemplary Christian lady, whose life was a benediction to all. Her memory is cherished and revered by all who knew her.

DANIEL BOARDMAN PURINTON, PH. D., LL. D., President of Denison University and Shepardson College, was born in Preston County, Va. (now W. Va.), February 15, 1850, and is the son of Rev. Dr. Jesse M. and Nancy (Lyon) Purinton. His grandfather, Rev. Thomas Purinton, a native of Massachusetts, removed thence to New York and became the editor of the first Baptist paper published in the state.

The father of our subject was born August 12, 1809, and received an excellent education in what is now Colgate University, after which he was ordained to the ministry of the Baptist Church. On account of weak lungs rendering a change of climate a necessity, he removed to what is now West Virginia and became pastor of a church. Prior to the opening of the Rebellion he removed to Pennsylvania, where he held a pastorate about ten years, returning to West Virginia in 1867. He became pastor of the Baptist Church at Morgantown, the seat of the State University, and thus was enabled to give his sons splendid educational advantages.

As a minister, Rev. J. M. Purinton was very successful and won an enviable reputation in his denomination. His congregations were always large, and he received into membership as many as ninety-one persons at one time. A man of nervous temperament, superior ability as a speaker and broad information, he always moved his audiences by his earnestness and zeal. The degree of D. D. was conferred upon him by Burritt College of Tennessee. His sermons were short but full of thought, and those who heard him once desired to do so again. He was always a hard worker until stricken with nervous paralysis in his pulpit. His death occurred in June of 1869.

The mother of our subject was one of the tenth generation in descent from John Alden, who came to America in the "Mayflower." She is also a niece of Nancy Lyon, founder of Holyoke College. At the present time (1894) she resides with our subject. Her family consisted of eight children, two of whom died in infancy, and one daughter died at the age of seventeen. Daniel B. is the third of five sons. The eldest, Francis W., a merchant by occupation, was very prominent during the late War, serving as United States Marshal and secret envoy. He died at the age of forty years. Edward Lord, whom death claimed at the age fifteen years, was a remarkable boy, whose brain was too large and active for his body. When ten years of age he began to write poetry and some of his productions are truly wonderful. At the age of twelve he was an encyclopedia of knowledge, and his father, an able scholar, sometimes called upon him for facts. Aaron Lyon, M. D., Ph. D., is Professor of Chemistry in the University at Nashville, Tenn. George Dana, M. D., Ph. D., is professor of Biology

and Director of the Museum in the University of Missouri; he is also a Baptist clergyman.

His father not being in affluent circumstances, the subject of this sketch was early obliged to earn his own way in the world. At the age of sixteen he taught school, and later solicited life insurance in order to obtain money to pay his tuition in college. After attending for a time the George's Creek Academy in Smithfield, Pa., he entered the University of West Virginia and completed the classical and scientific courses, in addition to extra work not in either of these departments. In 1873 he was graduated at the head of his class and with the highest grade ever held in the university. After graduating he was employed in the academic department of the university as instructor in Latin and Greek, and to these he soon had added vocal music. In 1878 he became professor of logic, and in 1880 was elected to the chair of pure and applied mathematics. Five years later he occupied the chair of metaphysics, in which he continued for five years.

In 1881, within eight years after graduating, Dr. Purinton was elected Vice-President of the university, and for two years was acting President. During his administration the attendance was increased to the largest the institution ever had. In January, 1890, he accepted the presidency of Denison University and Shepardson College and largely through his ability the college has prospered in a high degree. The faculty has been increased and the attendance doubled. $50,000 has been added to the endowment fund, the campus has been enlarged, and four new buildings have been erected at an aggregate cost of $120,000. Science Hall, which cost $50,000, is the finest building of its kind in Ohio.

In educational circles Dr. Purinton is widely known as the author of the book entitled "Christian Theism," which is used as a text book in Yale College and many other institutions of learning. He is also the author of the words and music of about forty religious and college songs. He is a contributor to educational journals and has lectured in the University Extension Course in Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. July 6, 1876, he married Miss Florence A. Lyon, who was born in New York and is the daughter of Franklin S. Lyon, at one time President of Broadus College. They have four children: Edward Earl, Mary Lyon, John Alden and Helen.

SAMUEL C. WRIGHT. Whoever labors towards the development of his country, striving to bring out its latent resources; who is devoted to the general welfare of the people; who seeks to promote the cause of justice and morality, and to advance our civilization through educational, religious, professional or commercial channels, becomes a public benefactor, and is worthy of special mention on the pages of history.

Such is the character and record of Samuel C. Wright, who has been identified with the business interests of Utica for more than half a century. The firm of Officer & Wright has carried on business since 1864 and is the oldest partnership in the city. In their undertakings they have met with richly merited success, and now enjoy a reputation as reliable, sagacious business men. Commencing with a stock of groceries, they soon added a line of furniture and also embarked in business as undertakers, all of which they have since conducted with success.

The Wright family is of English origin, but has been represented in America for many years. Hon. Samuel Wright, grandfather of our subject, was born near Albany, N. Y., where he resided for a long time, and was honored by his fellow-citizens by an election to the New York Legislature. His family included three sons and four daughters, of whom Samuel, father of our subject, was born in 1800. He was reared at Albany, N. Y., and served an apprenticeship to the trade of cabinet-maker in New York City, the shop in which he worked being at the rear of the Astor House.

Having learned his trade, Mr. Wright went to Canada, and after a time engaged in business at

Belleville, Ontario, where he made the acquaintance of Ann B. Cherry, who in 1823 became his wife. She was a native of Oswego County, N. Y., and was in Canada for her health when she met Mr. Wright. In 1837, when the rebellion broke out in Canada, he returned to the United States and traveled over the west. In 1838 he engaged in business in Oswego County, N. Y., but the following year removed to Ohio and first settled in Marysville. In 1842 he came to Utica, and here conducted business as a cabinet-maker and undertaker until advanced in years. He was successful in business, and although he lost heavily by endorsing obligations for others, he still had a competence for his declining years. His death occurred in 1877, his wife surviving him for some years. They were earnest Christians and members of the Presbyterian Church. He was strongly opposed to slavery, and always used his influence, politically and otherwise, against that institution.

Our subject is the eldest of five children, three of whom attained maturity. The others, beside himself, are: Edward L., who was formerly a dealer in real estate in Chicago, and died in Grand Rapids, Mich., and Ann, the wife of James Dean, of Martin's Ferry, Ohio. Samuel C. was born in Belleville, Canada, April 6, 1827, during the temporary residence of his parents in the Dominion, and is thus by birth a citizen of the United States. In boyhood he accompanied the family to Ohio, and in early manhood settled in Utica, where he learned the cabinet-maker's trade with his father and was associated with him in business for many years. As above stated, his partnership with Mr. Officer dates from the year 1864.

In 1846 Mr. Wright was united in marriage with Rowena, daughter of Dr. Nathaniel Fuller, one of Licking County's early physicians. Two children bless the union, Adelaide, the widow of Marion McClellan and the mother of two children, Grace and Mabel; and Clarence W., a resident of Utica, who owns and manages a fruit farm near Muskegon, Mich. Politically, Mr. Wright is a Republican, and upon the ticket of that party has been elected to several local offices. He owns, besides his pleasant home in Utica, a farm in Michigan and other valuable property. A genial, companionable and charitable gentleman, he possesses to a high degree the attractions of a ready conversationalist and a progressive citizen. In all the relations of life he is an honor to the parents that reared him, to the community wherein he resides, and to the state and the country.

CHARLES G. ANKELE, a representative of the German-American element, to whose integrity and thrift the development and prosperity of the United States are largely due, has been engaged in business in Newark for a number of years. He is a native of Reutlingen, Wurtemberg, Germany, and was born April 10, 1846, being the son of Jacob and Christena (Wineman) Ankele. He was one of seven children that attained mature years, and of whom three sons and one daughter came to this country, viz.: Jacob, who preceded our subject to America and now lives in Newark; Charles G.; George, who is married and lives in Honey Grove, Tex.; and Christena, the wife of August Sten, of Newark. Three sisters still live in the Old Country: Reka, who married John Kline; Nannie, the wife of Gottleib Earnest, and Margaret, who is unmarried.

In the land of his birth our subject spent the years of boyhood and youth, and after gaining a practical common-school education he learned the trade of a weaver. In 1865 he took passage on a ship bound for America, and on the 1st of September landed in New York City. From there he came at once to Newark and joined his brother Jacob at this place, arriving here on the 8th of September. Learning the trade of a machinist, he was thus engaged for about eight years. Afterward he embarked in business for himself, opening a tobacco and cigar store in Newark. Later he added a stock of notions, and he has since conducted a good trade in these lines. In connection with his store he also has a barber shop.

The first marriage of Mr. Ankele occurred in

1871, at which time he was united in wedlock with Miss Rosa Engel. This lady was born and reared in Wurtemberg, Germany, emigrated to the United States in young womanhood, and died in 1874. Of the two children resulting from the union one only is now living, John, who married Josa M. Flory and is a barber by trade. In 1877 Mr. Ankele was united in marriage with Miss Margaret Christman, who was born in Morgan County, Ohio, and is a lady of amiable disposition and strength of character. To this union there were born six children, of whom George died at the age of three years. The others are named respectively, Lizzie, Maggie, Willis, Charles and Fred.

Though poor at the time of emigrating to the United States, Mr. Ankele has gained a large degree of success, solely as the result of industry, perseverance and good management. In addition to his comfortable residence at No. 92 South Third Street, he owns valuable business property in Newark. His attention has been devoted closely to his business interests. Though being a loyal citizen of his adopted country, he takes an intelligent interest in public and progressive enterprises. In him the Republican party of this section finds one of its stanch supporters. In religious connections he is identified with the German Presbyterian Church and is now serving as an Elder. Socially he is a member of the Olive Branch Lodge, I. O. O. F., of which he is Past Grand and Treasurer. He is also connected with Newark Lodge No. 13, K. P., and the Royal Arcanum.

JOHN BRUMBACK. After many years devoted to agriculture, this venerable citizen of Licking Township is now spending his declining days in the enjoyment of the ample fortune secured through his unremitting industry and arduous toil in manhood's prime. A resident of this county since 1819, he has witnessed the marvelous changes seventy years have wrought and can feel a just pride in the part he has taken in securing the present improvements. With few exceptions his co-laborers of those pioneer days have entered upon their last rest. To him has been given the privilege of remaining upon earth beyond the allotted period of threescore and ten, and notwithstanding his advanced age he is in fair health, retaining to an unusual degree the mental and physical activity that formerly characterized him.

On the 3d of February, 1808, the subject of this sketch was born in that part of Virginia then known as Shenandoah County, but now Page County. There the first eleven years of his life were passed and then he came to Licking County, Ohio, in company with his mother and his brother Henry, who was six years his senior. It will doubtless astonish our readers, accustomed to the splendid transportation facilities of the present day, to learn that these three travelers walked the entire distance from Shenandoah to Licking County, averaging sixteen miles per day.

Upon arriving in Licking County, David Brumback rented a tract of land, in the clearing and cultivating of which he was assisted by our subject. The father joined the other members of the family three years after their arrival in this county, and rented a blacksmith shop, in which John assisted him until he was twenty years of age.

May 8, 1828, John Brumback established domestic ties of his own, being then united with Rebecca Davis. After his marriage he settled on the farm he now owns, which then belonged to his father-in-law, Samuel Davis. At the expiration of three years he had by strict economy and untiring industry, often working eighteen hours out of the twenty-four, accumulated sufficient capital with which to purchase the place, paying therefor $8 per acre in cash. Upon coming to the farm he had erected a small blacksmith shop, and this for several years he carried on, though he did not meanwhile neglect the clearing and improving of his land. Finally he was obliged to relinquish work at his trade on account of an ailment in his right shoulder, and thereafter gave his entire attention to the tilling of the soil. As his means permitted, he added to his property until his landed possessions aggregated five hundred and

seventy acres. Here he engaged in general farming and also devoted considerable time to stock-raising, first purchasing fifty ewes, and later adding other stock of good grades.

Mrs. Rebecca Brumback died in Licking Township after having become the mother of three children. They are: Jefferson, formerly Judge of the Common Pleas Court in Licking County; Mary A., deceased; and Jeremiah, an attorney in Boise City, Idaho. The second marriage of Mr. Brumback occurred August 28, 1837, and united him with Miss Sarah Ann Essex. They became the parents of eight children, viz.: Amanda, who is deceased; Henry, a lawyer in Mt. Vernon, Mo.; Elizabeth, the wife of Rev. T. W. Powell; Artemisia, a physician and the wife of D. W. Winter, M. D., of Newark; Rebecca; Marietta, a physician, who tenderly cares for her father in his old age; Elma, deceased; and Newton, a physician, residing in Beatrice, Neb. The devoted wife and mother passed away November 19, 1868. Mr. Brumback was again married, choosing as his wife Priscilla, widow of William Parkinson; she died August 27, 1893.

In educational affairs Mr. Brumback has always maintained a deep interest. Having had no advantages in his youth he has always been especially desirous that his children should have the best opportunities for gaining a practical education. They have amply repaid his efforts in their behalf, as they are now well educated men and women, who are highly respected in their several communities. For seven years he was Commissioner of Licking County, and for one term served as Justice of the Peace. While not a member of any denomination, he is in sympathy with the work of the churches and is a liberal contributor to the support of the Gospel.

SAMUEL WOOLWAY. As one of the successful business men of Newark, we are pleased to present the biographical sketch of Mr. Woolway, who dates his residence in this city from the year 1875. For a time after coming here he worked at the trade of a carpenter, but soon added the business of a contractor, which he has since followed with success. Among the public buildings which he has constructed may be mentioned the West Newark School and Memorial Hall, in addition to which he has superintended the erection of numerous business blocks and private residences.

Born in Devonshire, England, December 31, 1844, our subject is the son of John and Anna Maria Woolway, and is one of the five children, three sons and two daughters, comprising their family, all of whom, with the exception of himself, reside in London. The father learned the trade of a tailor, but was later employed as Warden of the penitentiary at Dartmoor for twenty-eight years, retiring on a pension. He died at the age of seventy; his wife had passed away two years previous to his demise, aged sixty-eight years.

In England our subject served an apprenticeship of seven years to the carpenter's trade, during which time his father paid $30 and furnished all the tools, his employer giving him nothing but his board and $1.25 for seven years' work. In 1869 he came to the United States, and after landing in New York, proceeded to Boston, where he had a school-mate. However, on arriving in that city he found that his friend had gone to Dubuque, Iowa. He worked at his trade in Boston for one season, and then, at the request of an uncle, Robert Hodge, he went to El Paso, Ill., where he worked for a few months. Later, he secured employment on the Little Rock and Ft. Smith Railroad, in Arkansas, as a bridge builder, being thus engaged for nine months.

Being troubled with the ague, Mr. Woolway returned to England in the fall of 1870 to recuperate his health and visit friends. He remained there until the spring of 1872, when he came to the United States a second time, and proceeding to Chicago, assisted in the work of rebuilding that great city after the fire. One year later he went to Grand Rapids, Mich., and from there came to Newark. In 1876 he married Ella May, daughter of Mitchell Smith, of Homer, Ohio, and an estimable lady, who numbers a host of warm friends in the county where her entire life has been passed.

They occupy and own a handsome residence at No. 412 East Main Street, which Mr. Woolway erected and which is conveniently arranged and tastily furnished.

Politically, Mr. Woolway is a Republican, and has served as a member of the Board of Equalization. He is Treasurer of the Republican Executive Committee, and has aided in all the important measures originated by the party in this section for several years. His wife is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, while his preferences are toward the Episcopal Church, in which faith he was reared. Socially, he is identified with Newark Lodge, I. O. O. F., and the encampment, being President of the Board of Trustees of both the subordinate lodge and the encampment. He is also Past Regent of the Royal Arcanum and a member of Acme Lodge No. 554, A. F. & A. M. At the present time he is serving as a Director in the Home Building Association Company. He and his wife are the parents of three children: Reginald Roy, who was born January 1, 1877; Jessie Pearl, January 22, 1879, and Eugene L., May 20, 1881.

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JOHN MOSER, Superintendent of the Moser, Wehrle & Co. Stove Foundry at Newark, was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, May 26, 1837, and is a son of John and Barbara Moser. The family came to the United States in 1848, landing in New York City November 22 of that year. There and on Staten Island they resided for four years, the father following the tailor's trade. They endured all the hardships incident to poverty in a strange land among strangers. At the time of landing in this country their entire cash capital was limited to ninety-five cents, and not only did the father labor unceasingly to support his little ones, but each member of the family aided, so far as possible, in "keeping the wolf from the door." Nevertheless, hard as they toiled, many a night they went to sleep hungry.

Nor was poverty the only thing with which the family had to contend. Soon after settling in New York one son and one daughter died of typhoid fever, in 1849. To add to their troubles, the father's health failed, and it became imperative for the children to support themselves. Thus it was that John began life in the United States by peddling matches on the streets of New York. In 1852, hoping to better their condition, they came west to Ohio, and the father died in Newark two years later. He was a faithful member of the Lutheran Church, and an upright, honorable man. While living in Germany he served in the army.

The mother of our subject survived her husband a number of years, passing away in 1880. They had eleven children, all of whom were born in Germany, but only six came to the United States. Two of these, as above mentioned, died in New York. The others reside in Newark: John, our subject; Jacob; Augustus, who is truant officer of the public schools; and Henry, who follows the trade of a moulder. John was a lad of eleven years when he accompanied his parents to this country, and so meagre were his advantages that he never attended school for even one day in the

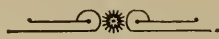
United States. His education has been gained entirely by observation and self-culture.

After coming to Newark Mr. Moser learned the trade of a moulder with McCune & Ebersol, in whose employ he remained as foreman for a number of years. Some time afterward he rented the plant, which he subsequently purchased. In 1885 he associated with himself Capt. Joseph C. Wehrle, and three years later the firm increased their facilities by the erection of suitable buildings. So rapidly has their business increased that, instead of having eight employes as in 1885, they now (1894) furnish steady employment to a force of ninety men. From the factory are sent out stoves of every kind and grade, and the reputation of the concern for the quality of its work is unsurpassed by any foundry in the state.

Owing to ill health Mr. Moser in 1890 disposed of his interest in the business, although his name was still retained in the firm title. Soon afterward, in April, 1890, Mr. Wehrle died, and left the request that Mr. Moser should superintend the business for the family. Acceding to the request, he has since had charge of the manufacturing department. He has other business interests, and is at present a stockholder in the Baltimore Bent Works. Politically a Democrat, he was for eight years a member of the City Council, and during one year of that time was its President. At present he is serving as a member of the School Board, of which he is President.

The family residence, at No. 617 West Main Street, is graciously presided over by the amiable wife of Mr. Moser, whom he married in 1858. She was born in Coshocton County, Ohio, and was Miss Margaret, daughter of Conrad and Elizabeth Heck. There have been seven children born to this union, two of whom died in infancy. The others are: Mary, wife of James Whitaker, of Newark; Emma, who married Charles Luther, a resident of this city; Fannie; Ida, wife of John Richardson, also of this place; and Joseph, who married Ida Brubecker and follows the trade of a moulder in Newark.

Socially, Mr. Moser affiliates with the Masonic fraternity, and has served as past Sachem of the Improved Order of Red Men. He is a member of the Subordinate Encampment and the Patriarch Militant, I. O. O. F., in which he has passed all the chairs. In religious belief he is a Lutheran. As a business man he has been more than ordinarily successful, and the fact that, beginning with no means, he has gained prosperity proves the possession on his part of energy, perseverance and wise judgment.



RICHARD A. POUND. If to one class of people more than another Licking County owes a debt of gratitude, it is to the diligent, persevering farmers, on whom its prosperity so largely depends. Among the native-born citizens of Mary Ann Township who have here successfully followed general farming and stock-raising, may be mentioned the name of Mr. Pound, who was born October 6, 1846, upon the farm where he has since resided. A portion of the estate is his by inheritance, and the remainder has been acquired by purchase. Fifty-two acres have been placed under a high state of cultivation and embellished with suitable buildings.

The paternal grandfather of Mr. Pound was of Irish birth, while his maternal grandfather was a native of England. His parents, Joseph and Elizabeth (Allison) Pound, were born in Orange County, N. Y., the former in 1800, and the latter in 1807. They removed to Licking County in 1841, and in the spring of the following year settled in Mary Ann Township, where both died, the mother in 1876, and the father two years later. The children comprising the family were ten in number, of whom we note the following: Mary Ann married Perry W. Harris, and died in Putnam County leaving seven children, all of whom reside in Putnam County; Sarah, the wife of Joseph Hickey, lives in Washington Township, this county, and has four children; Samuel A., who married Lucinda Wilkin, is a farmer of Eden Township; Emily, the wife of David P. Hall, has four children; Maria, who married George Chilcoat, lives in Newton Township, and has four children; Joseph,

a farmer living in Washington Township, married Rachel A. Wheeler, and they have six children; Oliver died in 1850, aged ten years; one child died in infancy; Richard A. is the ninth in order of birth; Nehemiah, the youngest, who lives in Mary Ann Township, married Margaret Miles, and they have two children.

In the township of his birth our subject grew to manhood, meantime attending the public schools and gaining a practical knowledge of agriculture. May 23, 1871, he married Jane Biggs, who was born in Licking County May 9, 1843. Her grandparents were numbered among the first settlers here, and the families of McQueen and Varner are still remembered by the people as among the pioneers of the county. Prior to her present marriage Mrs. Pound had been married, one son being born of that union. He married, and since the death of his wife, his two children, a son and daughter, make their home with our subject. Four children were born to the union of Mr. and Mrs. Pound. The eldest, Czar H., was born in Eden Township, Licking County, June 16, 1872. In childhood he was precocious and obedient to his parents. His boyhood days were passed much in the same manner as those of farm lads usually are, midst play and work, and attendance at the public school, where he learned rapidly. He had a fondness for baseball, wrestling, and other athletic sports. Desiring to obtain a thorough education, he attended for a time the village school at Hanover, and the Normal School at Fallsburg, passed a credible examination in the spring of 1892, and was awarded a certificate to teach. In the winter of 1892–93 he taught the Snort Hall school in Eden Township, and the following summer attended the Normal term at Ada, Ohio. So acceptably had he performed his duties as teacher in the Snort Hall school, that they secured his services for the winter term of 1893–94. He continued to teach until about the middle of January last, when he had a severe attack of la grippe, which compelled him to give up his school. The disease terminated in consumption, of which he died at the home of his parents June 29, 1894, aged twenty-two years and thirteen days. January 15, 1893, he joined the Methodist Episcopal Church in Newton Township, and the following Sunday was baptized by immersion in Wilkin's Run, near his home, by the Rev. Mr. Wakefield. He was an unusually bright, intelligent young man of good habits and morals, and exemplary character, and had he been spared his would doubtless have been a successful life of usefulness. The other members of the family are, Allie Belle, who was born September 10, 1874, is the wife of Frank Shannon, of Mary Ann Township. Edward R., who was born August 12, 1878, and Minnie Dell, whose birth occurred September 20, 1886, are at home.

As a member of the Democratic party Mr. Pound takes an active interest in politics. He has served as Trustee of the township for two years, and has held other official positions. In religious views he is liberal, but contributes to the support of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to which his wife, elder son and daughter belong. As a citizen he is progressive, and as a farmer energetic, persevering and capable, and his position is among the foremost residents of the township.

JAMES CONARD WRIGHT. About a mile east of Fredonia lies one of the pleasant homes of McKean Township. The residence, a commodious structure, stands upon a hill from which may be seen much of the surrounding country. In the well kept grounds are a number of shade, evergreen and ornamental trees planted by the present owner many years ago. During the summer months fragrant flowers abound in rich profusion, and the visitor is invariably impressed with the evidences of culture and refinement that surround the delightful home.

The owner of this attractive place, James C. Wright, was born in McKean Township, January 4, 1827, and has been a life-long resident of this locality. His paternal grandfather, Abram Wright, was one of the early settlers of Licking County, where he served as Justice of the Peace when it was a part of Ross County. He was a soldier in

the War of 1812. The father of our subject, Jacob Wright, was born in Washington County, Pa., April 10, 1802, and was a boy of six years when the family came to Ohio, where he was reared to manhood. He was a man of considerable influence in McKean Township, of which he was a resident until death, and in which he served as Trustee and Justice of the Peace. In early life a Whig, he afterward affiliated with the Republican party, supporting its principles and voting for its candidates. He passed away May 8, 1881, aged seventy-nine years.

The first wife of James Wright, our subject's mother, was born in Loudoun County, Va., March 31, 1806, and bore the maiden name of Sarah Conard. She came to Licking County in girlhood and was a resident of McKean Township until her death, February 14, 1877. Afterward Mr. Wright married Alcinda Hollingsworth, who is still living. After completing the studies of the common schools our subject entered the Ohio Wesleyan University of Delaware, where he was a student for two years. He has always resided in McKean Township and his occupation throughout his entire active life has been that of agriculture. He now owns two hundred and twenty acres, comprising one of the valuable homesteads of the township.

An ardent Republican in political views, Mr. Wright is active in the local councils of the party and has held a number of offices, including that of Justice of the Peace. April 12, 1852, he was united in marriage with Miss Cynthia Branch, who was born in Orwell, Vt., June 26, 1827. At the age of eight years she came to Ohio with her parents, Wait and Abigail (Fuller) Branch, who were also natives of the Green Mountain State. The family settled in the village of Fredonia and there Mr. Branch carried on a tannery until 1851, when he removed to Illinois.

The union of Mr. and Mrs. Wright has resulted in the birth of six children, five of whom are now living. They are, William P., a farmer residing in Bennington Township; James M., a mechanical engineer, at present superintending a pattern shop in Cleveland, Ohio; Emery M., for some years a teacher, but now a commercial traveler; Darwin Branch, deceased; Salmon Chase, who cultivates the home farm, and Minnie S., who resides with her parents.

It is worthy of note that Mr. Wright has one of the largest and finest private collections of mineral specimens, shells and relics in the state. In it may be noticed specimens of nearly every land in the world, some of the curios being valuable relics of that extinct race, the Mound Builders, in the form of handsomely carved and highly polished images and tools made from stone. For what purpose many of these were used, the people of this age cannot even conjecture. Added to this, Mr. Wright has a large collection of old and rare coins of many nations and dates. This private museum affords food for study and thought on the part of the student of history.

REV. CALVIN W. SIFFERD, A. M., pastor of St. Paul's English Lutheran Church, was born near Salisbury, Rowan County, N. C., November 5, 1850. He is of Pennsylvania descent, his paternal grandfather, Abraham Sifferd, having removed from the Keystone State to North Carolina, where he entered six hundred acres of land, and there spent his remaining days. He had a large family, of whom Paul was among the younger. The latter was born in North Carolina and there studied medicine under a German physician of some note. Upon embarking in the profession he opened an office near Salisbury and there engaged in practice until his death, in October, 1893.

Although not a politician, Dr. Sifferd took a deep interest in all matters relative to public affairs or the advancement of his community. For many years he was Judge in court, and also officiated in a number of responsible local positions. In his religious belief he was a Lutheran, and so tireless was he in the work of that denomination that he was familiarly known as the "saddle horse of the synod." He was one of the prime factors in the establishment of North Carolina College

and the female seminary at Mt. Pleasant, and was also prominently connected with the founding of other educational institutions.

The mother of our subject, who was born in North Carolina, bore the maiden name of Margaret Peeler. She died in 1888, aged seventy-eight years. In the family there were eleven children, of whom Calvin W. was the youngest to attain to years of maturity, and the tenth in order of birth. There were five sons, two of whom died in early life. The others besides our subject are Miles H., who became a professor in a college in South Carolina, and J. L., who studied medicine, but does not practice the profession.

After having received a good elementary education in the common schools, Calvin W. Sifferd entered the North Carolina College at Mt. Pleasant, and completing the course, was graduated in 1874. Later he entered the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, Pa., where, as in the college, he took the course in one year less than usually required. Having a good physique and strong mental endowments, he was able to accomplish much more than was usually attempted by students. He was ordained to the ministry by the North Carolina Synod, and his first pastorate was at Anna, Ill., where he remained until June, 1886.

At that time Rev. Mr. Sifferd was requested by the Secretary of the Board of Home Missions to come to Newark and take charge of the mission that had just been organized. At the time of his arrival he found a small organization, without any church property and laboring under many discouragements. Under his earnest efforts the congregation grew in size and interest, and the present membership is about one hundred and fifty. There have been about three hundred admissions into the church, but the membership has been reduced owing to a large number of removals from the city. In 1889 they purchased the Episcopal Church property, which they now occupy. In connection with the church there is a flourishing Sunday-school, with an attendance of about one hundred and fifty. While this charge has required much of Mr. Sifferd's time, thought and earnest labor, it has not done so to the entire exclusion of other fields of work, and in addition to the discourses of Sunday morning and evening, he may often be found in neighboring towns on Sabbath afternoon, where he labors with zeal and earnestness to win souls to Christ.

May 1, 1875, Rev. Mr. Sifferd secured an efficient helpmate, one who has since been of great assistance to him in his work, as he was then united in marriage with Mary R. Henkel, daughter of Rev. D. M. Henkel, D. D. This estimable lady was born in Goshen, Ind., received an excellent education at Bethlehem, Pa., and at the time of her marriage was teacher in a seminary at Mt. Pleasant, N. C. The family of which she is a member has long been represented in America, its first representatives in this country having settled at New Market, Va. Her grandfather, Rev. Charles Henkel, and his brother, Andrew, were the first members of the family who came to Ohio. Both were ministers, and their names are inseparably associated with the early history of the Lutheran Church in Licking County.

GEORGE ROBERT BOLEN is a representative agriculturist of Hanover Township, and owns four hundred and forty acres of land lying in the valley of the Rocky Fork. Here he has resided for the past sixteen years, his attention being largely devoted to the cultivation of small fruits. He has a fine peach orchard of ten acres, and also the same amount planted to apple trees, and portions of each are in a bearing condition. The property, which was formerly known as the Forge farm, is in some respects a historical location, and upon it was built the first grist mill in the county.

The Bolen family traces its lineage to Col. Robert "Bolling," who it is believed was at one time colonel under Cromwell, being exiled, as were all the officers under that eminent man. This same ancestor married a granddaughter of the Indian princess, Pocahontas, a fact of which the descendants are justly proud. The family was established in the Old Dominion prior to Colonial times, and

was represented in the Revolutionary War. Our subject's paternal grandfather, Nathaniel Bolen, was a Drum-Major in the War of 1812.

The parents of our subject were Edward and Mary (Bowen) Bolen. The latter was a granddaughter of one of the Revolutionary heroes who served during the entire period of that conflict, being an Orderly-Sergeant. Her father, Thomas Bowen, was in the War of 1812. Her mother, whose maiden name was Nellie Smith, was a member of one of the F. F. V.'s and was related to Governor Smith, of Virginia, who presided over the destinies of the state and was a general in the Confederate army. Prior to the war he represented his district in the United States Congress.

In the parental family there were fourteen children, of whom John H. was the eldest. He and our subject were loyal to the Union during the Civil War, as was also the father. John boasts of his generalship in evading both armies and remained at home during the war, pursuing peaceful avocations. Nancy married George Behm and lives in Virginia. Frances became the wife of Jackson Dwyer and resides in the Old Dominion. Thomas was not able-bodied and also did not enter active service; he now lives in Virginia. James J., who for twenty years has lived in Greene County, Ohio, was a soldier in the Seventh Virginia Regiment, C. S. A., and was severely wounded at Malvern Hill, Va. Tompsey married Mallery Thornhill, and lives in Greene County, Ohio. Daniel was conscripted into the rebel army against his will, becoming a member of the Seventh Virginia Regiment, and died of typhoid fever at Richmond. G. R., of this notice, is next in order of birth; Sarah became the wife of John F. Monroe, and died in Licking County, leaving three children, one of whom, Levi G., is now local editor of the *Times-Recorder*, of Zanesville. Eliza, now the wife of Joseph Bailey, resides in Springfield, this state. Mary married Perry Judd, of Clarke County, Ohio. Carolina, who became the wife of Samuel Woodard, makes her home in Virginia. Addison and Charles T. are farmers of Clarke County, Ohio.

The subject of this sketch was born in Rappahannock County, Va., February 17, 1841, and grew to manhood upon his father's farm. At the time of the war he experienced the dangers, inconvenience and financial losses resulting from being located on the border during the great Rebellion. The family suffered greatly in loss of property by depredations of the armies. The grandfather, who was a Democrat up to the secession of Virginia, decided that he could no longer affiliate with the side in favor of national dissolution and was afterward a Republican. His father, Edward Bolen, was a Whig in early life, and became a Republican on the formation of that party. Our subject is also a loyal citizen, and sacrificed considerable property in order to get away from the south during the war.

In his native county, January 17, 1861, Mr. Bolen married Mary F. Monroe, a member of a prominent Virginia family of German origin and distantly related to President James Monroe. Six children were born of this union. James L., whose birth occurred March 29, 1863, died February 22, 1873. The others are, Edward F., who was born June 16, 1865; Albert H., July 7, 1867; George W., October 8, 1869; Mary E., November 17, 1871; Emerson A., May 4, 1874; and Cutie C., May 7, 1877. Emerson, who is a graduate of the Hanover High School, is a promising young man, whose poems and prose writings have appeared in print; he is now Superintendent of the Hanover Methodist Sunday-school and a zealous worker in the Christian Endeavor Society, which he has served as delegate to the State Convention. Mrs. Mary F. Bolen died in February, 1881. September 19, 1885, Mr. Bolen married Mrs. Julia A. (Davis) Hartuper, and two children bless this union, Lottie M., who was born July 30, 1886, and Robert P., December 19, 1888.

In 1864 Mr. Bolen came to Ohio, where he engaged as a contractor for a time, and afterward operated a general store at Hanover for three years. Purchasing property in Perry Township, he turned his attention to the cultivation of peaches, grapes, berries, etc. On selling that place he bought the farm where he has since resided. In religious belief he and his family are Methodists. Politically, he stands by the Republican party at all times. He was in 1893 the candidate

of his party for the office of County Commissioner. The Democratic majority in this county is usually thirteen hundred, but he cut this down to six hundred, thus showing his popularity as a man, and also the recognition of his ability as an official in a very important public position. He has been an extensive traveler, and was among the enthusiastic admirers of President Harrison, who visited at his home during his first campaign for the Presidency. He has seen all the presidents except Cleveland since the time of Lincoln. Socially, he is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, having belonged to a lodge in Newark, with which however he is not at present affiliated.

WILLIAM H. SCOTT enjoys the distinction of having been engaged in business in Newark for a longer period than any other citizen of the place. He was born here February 21, 1831, being a son of Robert and Margaret (Evans) Scott. His paternal grandfather, Hugh Scott, was born in Pennsylvania, of Scotch-Irish lineage, and as early as 1808 came to Licking County, settling in Franklin Township, where he cleared a farm in the midst of the surrounding woods. The two-story log house erected by him is still standing as a monument to his pioneer labors. A man of great industry and perseverance, he succeeded in clearing three hundred acres, and upon that estate he resided until his death, at the age of eighty-eight years.

The father of our subject was born in Washington County, Pa., in 1802, and was one of a family that included six sons and four daughters. He grew to manhood upon the home farm, and in youth learned the trade of a cabinet-maker, at which he worked in Newark for some years. He died in this city at the age of seventy-eight years. His wife, who survived him about nine years, passed away at the age of about seventy-five. From his service in early manhood as Captain of the state militia he gained the title by which he was familiarly known.

In the family of Captain Scott there were six children, four of whom attained years of maturity, as follows: William H.; George, deceased, formerly a prominent business man of Newark; Martha, who married W. E. Osborn and lives in Pittsburgh, Pa., and Mary, who is unmarried and lives in Newark. The subject of this sketch was a student in the common schools in boyhood, and after having learned the trade of a cabinet-maker, embarked in business in 1852, since which time he has continued in the same line. At first his shop was small, but the stock was gradually enlarged until finally his establishment became the largest in the city. He owns considerable real estate, including a fine business block and a large livery stable, which he rents.

In 1854 Mr. Scott married Anna Brooks, who was born in New York State, reared in Canada, and was at the time of her marriage a resident of Newark. Politically he stands by the Democratic party. He is a man of sterling principles, and has attained his present position, both socially and in business circles, by the qualities of heart and mind which have endeared him to his associates and brought him the good-will of his fellow-citizens. Socially he is a thirty-second degree Mason, belonging to the blue lodge, chapter, council and commandery at Newark, and the consistory at Cincinnati. Commencing in business poor, he has made every dollar of his present possessions by industry and good judgment in investments. He is a Director in the Newark Savings Bank, and owns several residences in the city. An intelligent and broad-minded man, it is hardly necessary to add that he keeps posted on the leading subjects of the day, and has contributed his full quota toward the advancement of the city of which he has been a life-long resident.

WILLIAM W. EARHART. Old almost as the eternal hills, is the saying that the "angel death loves a shining mark." It was his when he claimed Mr. Earhart, one of the leading citizens of the county. For

many years a resident of Hanover Township, he was here born September 19, 1824, and here, after a lingering illness of several years, his eyes closed in death, December 5, 1890. The place of his birth was only about a half-mile distant from the place of his death, and having spent so many years of his life in this locality, he was well known by the citizens and universally esteemed for his noble qualities of heart and mind.

The father of our subject, John B. Earhart, removed from Hagerstown, Md., to Licking County, Ohio, and settled on a tract of land adjoining the old Stanbery farm in Madison Township. He was a boat Captain, and at an early age our subject learned to drive on his father's boat before there were any railroads in Newark or the vicinity. Later he became Captain of a boat owned by James Smith, of Newark, after which he bought the "C. Delano" and "Walter Smith," and for a period of twenty-five years his principal occupation was that of freighting at all points along the Ohio Canal, from Cleveland to Portsmouth.

In June, 1857, Mr. Earhart married Miss Susan C., daughter of George Lynn, and sister of the late William Lynn, at one time Treasurer of Muskingum County. In the fall of 1857 Captain Earhart moved to Adair County, Mo., near the present site of Kirksville, and purchased a farm. After a sojourn of one year there he returned to Newark. In the spring of 1863 he purchased a boat of James Smith and resumed canal boating, which he followed until the fall of 1865, when he quit the business permanently. He then purchased the Williams tavern, six miles east of Newark, where he kept an inn and farmed until 1872. Disposing of the property he purchased a part of the Colonel Hollister estate, near Hanover, and building a house, made it his home until death.

During a long period of service as a member of the Board of Education, Captain Earhart was influential in establishing and organizing the Hanover public schools. He served in a like capacity while living in Madison Township, and also filled the position of Trustee of that township. He was a Republican in a Democratic township, but his peculiar fitness and ability secured his election, notwithstanding the fact that he represented the minority party. He was a member of the Pioneer Society of Licking County. Possessing a retentive memory, he took great delight in narrating various incidents of his eventful career. In his death an honored and patriotic citizen was lost, but he left to his descendants an untarnished name more precious than great riches.

The Captain was the third son in a family of seven children. His brother, Abram, seventy-four years of age, resides in Kirksville, Mo., and his sister, Mary A., who was born June 30, 1832, is living so far as known. His wife, who still makes her home on the old farm, is a native of Hardy County, Va., and was born September 6, 1832. Orphaned at the age of twelve years, she came about that time to Ohio with a brother and sister, settling with them in Muskingum County.

Ten children were born to Captain and Mrs. Earhart, of whom seven are living and three deceased. The eldest, William Henry, a fruit grower and farmer of Lexington, Richland County, Ohio, also serving as Postmaster and Justice of the Peace, married Miss Hattie R. Higgins, of Hanover; he is a native of Adair County, Mo., born June 20, 1858. Julia Belle, who was born October 21, 1860, in Licking County, became the wife of Z. T. Dumbauld, and died at Lock 17, Tuscarawas County; George W., who was born in Muskingum County, in January, 1863, died at the age of one year, six months and two days; Nellie Grant, who was born December 30, 1864, died aged twelve years, seven months and twenty-six days; Annie Sherman was born February 8, 1867, and was so named on account of having been born on General Sherman's birthday, and received his photograph and autograph in acknowledgment; Carrie Randall was born May 10, 1869; Mary Margaret, September 19, 1871; Charles Edward, December 14, 1873; Grace Adelle, January 2, 1877, and Bettie Lynn, June 17, 1879. With the exception of the eldest son and George W., the children were born in Licking County. Mary M. was married September 19, 1893, to Edward Nussbaum, and resides at Lock 17, Tuscarawas County. The others are under the parental roof. Charles Edward, the only son at home, operates the farm, being assisted by his mother's counsel and experience. He is a young man of

superior intelligence and ability. Carrie and Mary are graduates of the high school at Hanover, which the other children also attended. William, Annie, Carrie and Mary have successfully engaged in teaching; Gracie is now (1894) entering the senior year in the Hanover High School. The family is one of high social standing, and the young people are very popular in this community.

SOLOMON C. SMITH. A traveler in Mary Ann Township would note with pleasure the evidences of prosperity to be seen upon the farm where Mr. Smith and his family make their home. The estate comprises one hundred and fourteen acres, the natural advantages of which have been increased by careful management. A complete line of farm buildings may here be seen, and the most casual observer will note that they are substantial and conveniently located. Our subject having retired from active manual labor, the land is tilled by his son, John Ira, a capable and energetic young man.

The parents of the subject of this notice were Adna and Phœbe A. (Carpenter) Smith, both of whom were natives of Orange County, N. Y., the former born May 16, 1797, and the latter February 4, 1800. In the fall of 1846 they removed to Licking County and located upon the farm now occupied by our subject. At that time the land had been partly improved and placed under cultivation, but there still remained considerable pioneer work for the family to do. Adna Smith and his good wife were the parents of eleven children. Of that number five are now living, four in Ohio and one in Missouri. Concerning their life record we note the following:

Joseph H., who was born June 2, 1823, married, became the father of one child, Mary J., and died in Licking County August 7, 1875. Julia Ann was born September 10, 1825, and died December 12, 1839. Our subject, the next in order of birth, was born in Orange County, N. Y., May 14, 1827. Mary Elizabeth was born June 27, 1829, and died August 10, 1831. Elijah F., who was born May 1, 1831, died at the age of forty-one years, leaving a wife but no children. Abigail J. is the wife of Charles Wilkin, whose sketch appears on another page of this volume. John C., a farmer in Mary Ann Township, married Charlotte A. Beabout, who died leaving two sons; later he married Rebecca J. Raynor, by whom he has twin daughters. Daniel Albert, who was born October 26, 1837, is a jeweler at Pierce City, Mo., and is married. Eliza A. was born September 14, 1839, and died December 5, 1847. Emily was born January 24, 1842, and died June 29, 1872. Amy, whose birth occurred October 24, 1844, married David Layman and lives in Washington Township, Licking County.

Concerning the next to the youngest child of the family it is related that when a child she was greatly troubled with asthma. She was told that if she would put a lock of her hair in a tree without the knowledge of any other person, she would be cured of her ailment. Accordingly she secured an auger and bored a hole into an oak tree, placing in the hole a lock of her hair and plugging up the hole. About forty years afterward, and twenty-five years after she had passed from earth, the tree was cut down by a nephew of Mrs. Smith, and in splitting it up, the hair was found in an excellent state of preservation. This relic was exhibited to the writer and is carefully treasured in the family Bible.

Upon the farm where he now lives our subject has resided since the age of nineteen with the exception of twenty-four years. For many years he has had the cheerful and efficient assistance, in all his undertakings, of his estimable wife, whom he married August 26, 1850. Miss Clarinda Mulock, as she was known in maidenhood, was born April 1, 1829, and is the daughter of William and Hannah (Hawkins) Mulock, natives of Minisink, Orange County, N. Y., where she was born. Jesse Mulock, the grandfather of Mrs. Smith, came from Ireland with his parents when he was six years old, landing at New York when that city was a small village. He there grew to manhood, and married Amy Raynor, after which they settled at Minisink, Orange County, N. Y., among the Indians,

from whom he bought his land. He was successful, became quite wealthy, and reared a large family, of whom William, the father of Mrs. Smith, was the youngest. She was one of four children born of her father's first marriage, her mother dying at the age of twenty-six. The other children were, Mary Jane, who died in childhood; Lewis, who passed away at the age of twenty-six, and Samuel, who resides at Junction City, Perry County, Ohio.

For his second wife Mr. Mulock married Harriet Eliza Raynor, who bore him ten children, eight of whom are living at this writing (1894). Squire, the eldest, was a soldier in the Union army during the Civil War, and was seriously wounded in an engagement. He was one of the number of Union soldiers who scaled the walls at Charleston and charged the rebels with bayonets. He is now a resident of Franklin County, Ohio. The others are, Julia Ann, Harriet Eliza, Doc, Jesse, John, Chauncy and George, all of whom live in Missouri. The mother of this family died about six years ago, while the father passed away at the home of our subject in 1879.

Unto Mr. and Mrs. Smith were born four children, the eldest of whom, Mary Jane, was born May 26, 1851, and died on the 14th of July the same year. John Ira, whose birth occurred October 10, 1853, married Miss Ruth Davis, who died seven years after their wedding, leaving one son, Angus Garfield; as his second wife he chose Lillie May Strawsnyder, who was born in Perry County, this state, her parents having come there from Pennsylvania. This union is blessed by one son, Ulysses Eugene. Laura Ellen, who was born March 2, 1858, married Miles O. Weakly, and they with their son Arthur live upon a farm in Mary Ann Township; Emma Florence, who was born June 22, 1861, died September 3, 1879.

At the marriage of his daughter, Mr. Smith presented her with a farm of one hundred and fifty acres. It has always been his desire to give his children every advantage possible, and as a result of his care and his wife's training they are honored citizens and respected by all who know them. Politically our subject is a Republican, and supports the principles laid down by that party at every election. He is a worthy member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as are also his family. Mrs. Smith is an amiable woman, capable of making and retaining friends, and looking well to the ways of her household. To her husband she is all that a good wife can be, and to her neighbors she is a kind friend. Their pleasant home is often visited by their many friends, who are attracted hither by the genial courtesy of the host and pleasant manners of the hostess.

CHARLES E. MOORE, contractor and builder, and dealer in coal, is numbered among the progressive and efficient business men of Newark, where he has resided since 1887. While he has made his home in this city for a comparatively brief period, he has already gained a substantial position among its solid business men, and by the uniform reliability of his transactions and his integrity of character has gained the confidence of the people with whom he associates.

A native of West Virginia, our subject was born in Jefferson County, November 2, 1855. His parents were James and Susan (Colclasier) Moore, both natives of Virginia, in which state their entire lives were passed, the former dying in 1863, and the latter in 1886. Charles E. received a fair common-school education in the home locality. At the age of eighteen he began to learn the carpenter's trade, at which he served a regular apprenticeship, and has since almost continuously worked at his trade. In 1881 he visited Newark, spending a couple of weeks in this city, after which he went to Columbus, Ohio, and for one year was in the employ of the Hocking Valley Railway Company.

At the expiration of that time Mr. Moore embarked in business as a contractor and builder, in which he engaged successfully at Columbus until 1887, and since then has been similarly occupied at Newark. He makes a specialty of the erection of private residences, and those which he has erected bear evidence of his skill, taste and ef-

ficiency. In September of 1891 he opened a coal office at No. 118 Clinton Street, where he has since conducted an increasing trade. Socially he identified with the Woodmen of the World. In his political views, while not a strong partisan, he is firm in his allegiance to the principles of the Republican party.

November 26, 1891, occurred the marriage of Charles E. Moore and Miss Ida Inlow, a native of Newark, where the wedding was solemnized. She is the daughter of Asbury and Nettie Inlow, both of whom were born in Ohio, and is an accomplished and cultured young lady, who is highly regarded in social circles. As a citizen Mr. Moore is public-spirited, as a neighbor accommodating, and as a friend kind and thoughtful. To a marked degree he enjoys the confidence of the community. His success may be attributed to his industry, perseverance and sound business sagacity.

JOHN S. EDMAN. As one of the number whose energy and ability have contributed to the development of the material resources of Licking County, we present the name and life record of this representative agriculturist of Burlington Township. Though not at present actively engaged in the tilling of the soil (usually renting his land on shares), he still maintains a general supervision of his property, and finds sufficient to engage his attention in the oversight of his extensive interests. In addition to the occupation of a farmer he has also been a veterinary surgeon during most of his active years, and though not a graduate of any school, has always been very successful in the treatment of the various ailments of stock.

Born April 11, 1826, about one mile from his present home, Mr. Edman is thoroughly identified with the history of this part of the Buckeye State. His paternal grandfather, Samuel Edman, who was a German by birth, settled in Virginia on coming to this country, and thence came to Licking County in 1812, locating on a portion of the farm now owned by our subject. The mother of John S., known in maidenhood as Mary Stephens, was born near Dublin, Ireland, and came to America an orphan when about seven years old. In Burlington Township, Licking County, she became the wife of John Edman about 1816, and their family consisted of the following-named children: Nathan C., Dolly, Nancy, Samuel L., John S., Milton L., William C. and Mary Ann. John S., William C. and Mary Ann are all that are known to be living, William C. being a farmer in Burlington Township, and Mary A. living with a niece in Homer. When last heard of, Samuel was living in Oklahoma Territory.

The boyhood days of our subject were passed on the home farm. The schoolhouse in which he gained the rudiments of his education was a typical pioneer "temple of learning." There was no floor save mother earth. Light was admitted through greased paper placed in the wall where a piece of log had been cut out for the purpose. The pupils sat on slab or puncheon benches, and conned their lessons from text books as crude as their surroundings. While the information obtained under these circumstances was meagre, it has since been increased by close observation and thoughtful reading of good literature.

December 15, 1854, Mr. Edman married Miss Huldah Vance, who was born in Knox County, Ohio, January 29, 1833, being a daughter of Jacob Vance. Their family consists of the following-named children: James S., Mary C., Lewis L., Loyal C., Ida B., Dona Inez, Thomas P. and Josephine Adell. Of these, James, Loyal and Lewis are married; Ida B. is a school teacher, having prepared for the profession at Hartford Normal School, whence she went to Yellow Springs and from there to Pataskala; Dona is a dressmaker. The children are all well educated, refined and energetic, constituting a family of which their parents may well be proud.

Upon political questions Mr. Edman has decided views, and while he has voted with both of the old parties, he cannot endorse the principles of either. He has never been identified with any secret organization, in fact, is opposed to such so-

cieties. With his wife he holds membership in the Christian Church in Knox County. His farm consists of two hundred acres, devoted to the raising of cereals and improved with substantial buildings. Mrs. Edman also owns a small farm. They are highly esteemed throughout this community, and have the friendship of all who know them.

JAMES L. SINSABAUGH. One of the leading business enterprises of Utica is that conducted by the firm of Sinsabaugh & McConnell, of which the subject of this sketch is a member. They are among the leading contractors and builders of the city, and are also the owners and proprietors of a planing-mill and a sawmill, their ventures in various lines having been most successful. To their energy and skillful management is due in no small degree the development of the material resources of the place.

A native of Ohio, the subject of this sketch was born in Fairfield County, September 11, 1852, being a son of George and Elizabeth (McCray) Sinsabaugh, of whom further reference is made on another page of this volume. His father, a man of broad learning and deep piety, was for many years a minister of the Gospel, and also operated the farm which he owned. Upon the home place the early years of our subject were passed and in the common school he gained a fair education, to which he has later added by studious habits, close observation and thoughtful reading.

At the age of eighteen years Mr. Sinsabaugh commenced to work at the trade of a carpenter and soon joined his brother, with whom he worked. In 1871 he came to Utica, where for eight years he followed his chosen occupation. In 1879 he became a member of the firm of Sinsabaugh, McConnell & Co., which has since conducted a large and profitable business. Of this firm his brother David A. was also a member; the latter has gained considerable note as the patentee of the invincible opera chair, an invention that is becoming favorably known in the markets of the country. In the spring of 1893 David A. Sinsabaugh sold his interest to his partners and the firm became Sinsabaugh & McConnell.

The lady who in 1891 became the wife of Mr. Sinsabaugh was formerly Miss Elzena Johnson and was born in Knox County, Ohio, being a daughter of Henry Johnson. Two children bless the union, Leslie and an infant daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Sinsabaugh worship in the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which they are active workers, and to the support of which they are liberal contributors. In his political views he is a Republican and upon the ticket of that party was elected to the position of Trustee of Washington Township, but not caring for public office, he resigned at the expiration of his first year of service. He supports all measures originated for the promotion of the best interests of the town and county, and Utica has no citizen more public-spirited than he.

JOHN N. STONE, M. D., of Hanover, though one of the youngest physicians and surgeons of the county, already commands a large and rapidly increasing field of practice and skillfully handles the cases entrusted to his care. He is a native of Madison Township, Licking County, and was born January 2, 1869, to Evan P. and Lavina (Morgan) Stone. The family of which he is a member is noted for longevity; his paternal grandmother drowned herself at the age of ninety-three, while the paternal grandfather attained the great age of one hundred and five. Both were probably natives of Maryland.

The father of our subject was born in Georgetown, Md. (now D. C.), December 16, 1816, and during the most of his active life followed the mercantile business. He was three times married, his first wife being Mary A. Wickham, while his second union was with Margaret Thompson. His first union resulted in the birth of six children,

while by his second marriage he had two pairs of twins. Our subject is a son of the third marriage, which resulted in the birth of three children. Evan P., Jr., was born September 14, 1863, married Miss Mattie Vandenbark, a native of Hanover Township, and is now an employe of the Columbus, Hocking & Shawnee Railway Company at Columbus. Eva, who was born May 20, 1868, is a teacher of music and lives with her mother in Hanover.

Some years before the birth of our subject, Evan P. Stone came to Ohio. During the war he speculated largely in salt, from which he realized handsome returns. Socially he was a prominent Mason and Odd Fellow. Though somewhat lacking in educational attainments, he was a man of excellent business ability. His speculations in grain and produce were generally successful from a financial point. A genial, whole-souled man, his benefactions were so large and his generosity so unlimited that, though having accumulated a large property in lands, flouring mills, etc., he died a comparatively poor man.

After gaining the rudiments of his education in the public schools of Clay Lick, our subject entered the Hanover graded schools and in 1887 was graduated from the high school of this village. For one year prior to finishing the course, he engaged in teaching, meanwhile also carrying on his studies, and he continued to teach for four years after graduation. The high school course at this place is thorough, including three years of Latin, the higher mathematics, general history, botany, bookkeeping, etc.

While teaching, our subject commenced to read medicine alone, and afterward continued his studies in the office of Dr. Lisle, later was with Dr. Hamilton, and subsequently with Dr. Alexander. In 1889 he entered upon a three years' course in medicine at the Starling Medical College of Columbus, Ohio, and was graduated in 1892 with a high standing in his class. Leaving college, he entered upon the practice of his profession in his home town, Hanover, the following day. Here he has built up an excellent practice, exceeding his own highest expectations.

June 8, 1892, Dr. Stone married Miss Hallie, daughter of Jasper and Frances (Lane) Welsh, the former a farmer of Muskingum County. Her mother dying when she was small, Mrs. Stone then went to live with her maternal grandparents, under whose roof she grew to womanhood. She is an intellectual and accomplished lady, and engaged in teaching for some years prior to her marriage. Of her father's family there are four sons and two daughters now living, viz.: Louis, John, Minnie, Hallie, Miles and Harry. In her religious connections she is identified with the Presbyterian Church.

Politically the Doctor is an active Republican and votes and works for the principles of the party. Socially he is a member of New Home Lodge No. 338, A. F. & A. M., at Hanover. In his profession he has attained a reputation for skill and ability which many older practitioners might justly envy.

GEORGE MARKLEY, an influential citizen of Newark, succeeded in business J. V. Burner & Co. in 1859, and 1880 added undertaking to the furniture, since which time he has conducted a lucrative and extensive trade in both lines. He is a native of Pennsylvania and was born in Lancaster County, December 18, 1825, to John and Sarah (Reeder) Markley, also natives of the Keystone State. The father was born in Lancaster in 1786, and in youth learned the trades of carpenter and cabinet-maker. In 1830 he came to Ohio, where two years later his wife passed away.

The parents of our subject had a family of twelve children, six of whom were living at the time of the death of the mother. These were, Mary, who married Michael Halm and lives in Columbus, Ohio; Lydia, formerly the wife of Benjamin Monett, of Columbus, Ohio, but who died in 1845; our subject; John and Isaac (twins), the former of whom died in Columbus, while the latter resides in Cleveland; and Louise, who married Mr. Townsend, and died in Franklin County, Ohio. The father resided successively in Wayne, Holmes,

Columbiana and Franklin Counties, and in 1859 came to Newark, where he died in 1874, aged eighty-eight years.

After the death of the mother, which occurred in Franklin County, the children were placed in the care of different families to be reared. Our subject became a member of the family of Nelson Shannon, a farmer of that county, with whom he remained until eighteen years old, meanwhile attending the district schools in the winter. In return for his services on the farm he received his board and clothes. On commencing to learn his trade he became an apprentice of his brother-in-law, Mr. Halm, who paid him $20 the first year, $30 the second, and $50 the third. Afterward he did journeyman work in various towns in Ohio.

Coming to Newark in 1859, Mr. Markley embarked in business on a small scale, his stock being valued at $500. For some time he rented a store room, which however was destroyed by fire in 1866. He then purchased a lot and built his present business house. This is a three-story brick structure, 20x80, in which he carries a complete assortment of furniture, including all the most modern designs. As a business man he displays a wise sagacity and keen discrimination, while his genial courtesy brings him the esteem of his customers.

At No. 116 North Third Street stands an elegant brick residence, which is the home of Mr. Markley and his family. His wife, whom he married in 1864, was born in this city and is a daughter of the late Samuel Wilson, who for some time conducted a harness shop in Newark. His daughter, Miss Helen, received excellent advantages in her girlhood and was fitted by training at home and in the schools for the charge of a home of her own. She is an accomplished lady, highly esteemed in social circles, though her aspirations center in her home and in the welfare of her husband and her child. A son and daughter blessed the union, but the former, Charles by name, died at the age of five years. Queen is at home. Socially, Mr. Markley is a member of the Improved Order of Red Men, and has attained the thirty-second degree in Masonry. Politically, he is a Republican, and has served as a member of the City Council. At the present time he is a Trustee of Cedar Hill Cemetery.

WILLIAM TUCKER, a resident of Gratiot where he is extensively engaged in the manufacture of tile, was born June 11, 1841, and is the second son of Stephen R. and Sarah Tucker, of whom further mention is made on another page of this volume. He enjoyed the advantages of the common schools and acquired a good knowledge of the elementary branches of science. His early childhood years were passed upon a farm, but at the age of fourteen years he was apprenticed to the carpenter's trade, of which he acquired a thorough knowledge, being thus employed until the opening of the Rebellion. Since the war, however, he has done but little in that line.

The war record of Mr. Tucker is worthy of especial mention. He is one of the valiant defenders of the Old Flag, to whom we are indebted for the preservation of the Union. On the 2d of May, 1864, his name was enrolled as a member of Company B, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Ohio Infantry, and he was assigned to duty at North Mountain, W. Va., where the regiment was scattered along the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad as guards. While thus employed Companies B and F were captured, July 3, 1864, by the rebel General Early. From North Mountain they were taken to Lynchburg, and eventually to the stockade at Andersonville, where they remained about three months.

All the horrors of that prison pen Mr. Tucker fully experienced, and can bear witness to the fact that the accounts published of the treatment to which the prisoners were there subjected have not been exaggerated. He drank of the far-famed "Providential spring" in Andersonville, and says it is a veritable fact that pure, cold water gushed from the earth where always before had been solid

ground. After three months of suffering in Andersonville, he was removed to Charleston, where the Union officers who were prisoner were placed on the fortifications as hostages to prevent the Union batteries from shelling the city. After a two weeks' stay there, he was taken to Florence, where he was kept in prison about four months.

When the orders for removal came, the prisoners did not know that they were to be returned to the Union lines, but thought they were to be transferred to another prison. Their joy was unbounded when they saw the blue coats and the Old Flag as they approached Wilmington, N. C. There they were paroled and turned over to the Government. Mr. Tucker was mustered out of the service March 12, 1865, at Columbus, Ohio. He returned to his wife and two daughters in Gratiot, but was greatly enfeebled in health as result of his prison sufferings. As a partial compensation for loss of health, he is in receipt of a small pension from the Government.

November 2, 1885, Mr. Tucker was bereaved by the death of his wife. They had become the parents of four children. Mary I., who was born September 25, 1860, married John C. Watch, now deceased; she passed away February 17, 1893, leaving one child, Ethel, who lives with her grandfather. Allie L., born November 21, 1862, married William M. Smart, became the mother of three children, and died July 6, 1891. Walter E. was born February 25, 1865, and was killed November 16, 1892, on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, of which he was an employe at that time. Frank G. was born August 27, 1868, and is employed by the Newark Machine Company of Columbus.

The second marriage of Mr. Tucker took place August 18, 1887, at which time Miss Bytha A. Varner, daughter of Isaac Varner, late of this county, became his wife. This union has resulted in the birth of one child, Edna May. Mr. Tucker is extensively engaged in the manufacture of tile, for which he finds a ready sale. He manufactures the various sizes from two to ten inches. In political matters he is active and energetic, and since the war has been a stanch Republican. For twenty years or more he has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and gives of his means to the support of the Gospel and all religious and benevolent enterprises undertaken by his church. Socially he belongs to Hamilton Post No. 311, G. A. R., in which he has served in various official capacities and has been Commander one term.

THOMAS SIMPSON. Success is the creature of energy and tact. Men may sometimes blunder into fortune, but unless they possess sterling qualities, the sequel to their lives is apt to prove that they were unworthily intrusted with great advantages. Opportunities come to every man, but only a few seize them and rise with them to success. It is not because their opportunities are greater, but that they possess the qualities which in all ages have been recognized as masters of success, and by which they are enabled to take advantage of that

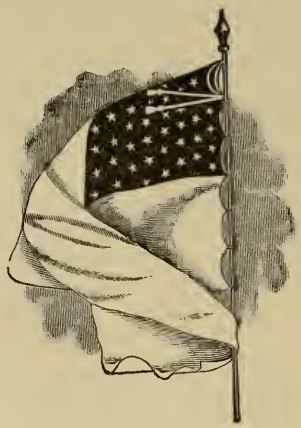
"Tide in the affairs of men
Which taken at the flood, leads on to fortune;
Neglected, all the voyage of their lives
Is bound in shallows and in miseries."

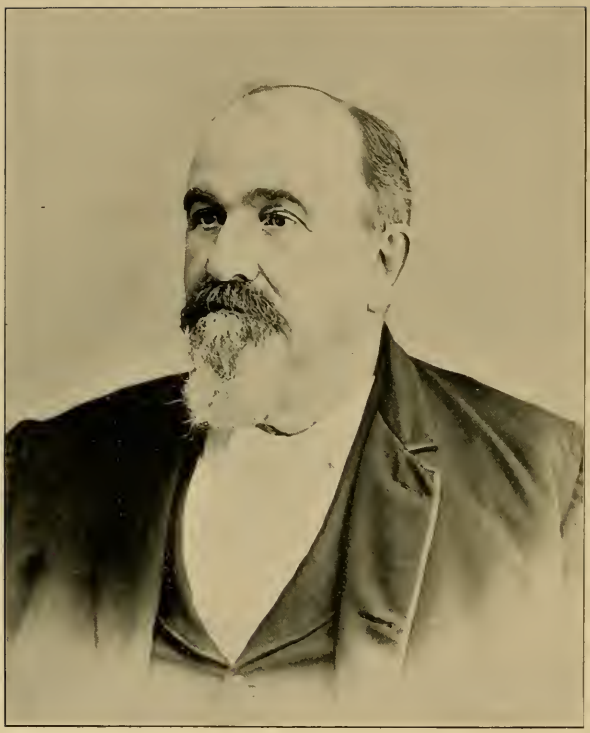
These truths have been happily expressed in the saying that "every man is the architect of his own fortune." Such may with justice be said of Thomas Simpson, a well known business man of Newark and for many years proprietor of the Simpson Foundry. He began a poor boy and for some time was in the employ of others, but he possessed the energy and ability that almost invariably bring to their owner a large measure of success. He was born in Yorkshire, England, July 20, 1829, and in 1841 accompanied the family to America, where in his father's foundry he learned the trade of a moulder. After the family returned to Newark from Somerset he worked in foundries in various cities.

After the death of his father our subject again worked in the foundry, and with his brothers continued the business. At present he is the sole proprietor and through his efforts he has enlarged the business and increased the financial standing of

the concern. This is one of the oldest foundries in the state and is at present located on West Main Street, where Mr. Simpson erected the necessary buildings. He makes a specialty of custom work and enjoys the confidence of business men throughout the state.

In 1859, Mr. Simpson married Miss Nancy, daughter of John and Sarah (Yates) Gardner, and they are the parents of six children, namely: Joseph, a moulder in Camden, N. J.; Alice, a teacher in the Newark public schools; John, Cora, Francis and Walter. The family residence was built by Mr. Simpson and is situated near the foundry, making it convenient for him. While he is not interested in politics, he is well informed upon the great issues of the age, and is loyal to the Government under whose protection he has spent the most of his life. His belief religiously is in sympathy with the doctrines of the Baptist Church and he is identified with that denomination.





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ENDYMION S. BROWN, M. D. In modern times the number of gentlemen who, beginning without capital, have gained wealth and influence is so large that such cases have ceased to be remarkable. The qualifications, however, necessary to bring about such success have never ceased to be worthy of our admiration. The gentleman whose name introduces this sketch is one of the number of progressive, skillful physicians to whom success has come as the result of unwearied application. Without money or influential friends he started out in life and for some time taught school in order to secure the funds necessary to complete his collegiate education. Through devotion to his profession he has gained success.

The family of which Dr. Brown is a member was long identified with the history of Virginia, where his paternal ancestors were owners of plantations and slaves. His grandfather, who owned a distillery, also had a large plantation in Fauquier County, Va., and owned sixty slaves. Besides these occupations he operated two flour mills, conveying the flour as well as the whiskey from his distillery by means of two six-horse wagons to Alexandria, Va., whence they were shipped to England. He was accustomed to take a horse-back ride every day, and on one of these trips he was thrown from the horse and killed. When his will was read it was found that he had freed all his slaves, giving to those who were married $200 and a horse, while the unmarried men and women each received $175.

Endymion Southard Brown, the only son of Archibald W. and Rebecca Brown, was born in Perrytown, Licking County, Ohio, December 13, 1840. His preliminary education was acquired in the district schools. In 1859 he was a student in the West Carlisle Academy, and the following year he entered Granville College. After completing his studies in that institution he commenced the study of medicine, and in 1869 was graduated from the Cleveland Medical College. During the same year he opened an office at Pataskala, Ohio.

On the 1st of April, 1871, the Doctor came to Newark, where he soon became known for his skill in the diagnosis of difficult cases, as well as an expert pathologist. Through strict attention to his pro-

fession, as well as unremitting energy, genial manners and thorough honesty, he succeeded in building up a large practice. He was one of the first members of the Licking County Medical Society and served as its Secretary, also as a delegate to the State Medical Society which convened at Put-in-Bay, near Sandusky, Ohio. For several years he was physician and surgeon for the city, township and county, and he served as physician to the Board of Health for four years. All of these offices he filled with credit to himself and to the satisfaction of the public.

May 16, 1872, the Doctor married Miss Mary Shaw Roe, daughter of Dr. Thomas H. Roe, of Newark, and they are the parents of one child, a daughter, Emma Northover. Mrs. Brown was born at Hazlewood, near Newark, June 6, 1848. Her parents, natives of England, emigrated to this country in 1837, and from Cleveland journeyed to Newark on one of the Ohio canal packet boats. In this city her father read medicine, and in 1840 was graduated from the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. For about two years after graduating he was assistant to the professor of surgery. While in Philadelphia he was elected a member of several of the most prominent medical societies of the city. He received diplomas from the Philadelphia School of Anatomy, the Physicians' Hospital and the Philadelphia Military School. From Philadelphia he returned to Newark and commenced the practice of medicine. However, he was better known as a surgeon than a physician, having evinced a fondness for surgery from the beginning of his studies. He gradually rose to eminence as an operative surgeon and was favorably known throughout central Ohio as a skillful and safe operator.

Dr. Brown is one of a family of three children that grew to maturity, Endymion S., Mary Frances and Lucy Ellen. The family is of English extraction, Grandfather Brown having emigrated to this country from England. The Doctor's father was born in Virginia, while his mother was a native of Newark, Ohio, her parents having come hither from New Jersey and Pennsylvania and her grandparents having emigrated to America from Scotland and England. Archibald Wilson Brown and his wife were members of the Methodist Episcopal Church for more than a half-century, and in looking back over the family history we find in all the representatives the loftiest principles of honor applied to the discharge of important official functions.

MRS. EMELINE C. MOUNT, wife of Peter Mount, and a resident of Granville Township, is a native of the Green Mountain State. She was born in Corinth, Orange County, February 27, 1820, being a daughter of James and Emeline (Slaughter) Brown, who came to Licking County in 1837 and settled in Liberty Township, where they spent the remainder of their days. Under the instruction and guidance of her father, who was a school teacher, our subject received a liberal education, and after coming to Ohio was for four years successfully engaged in teaching.

January 5, 1842, Miss Emeline C. Brown became the wife of John C. Johnson, who was born in New Jersey and died in Licking County July 7, 1874. The only child born of this union died in infancy. On the 30th of January, 1876, Mrs. Johnson was united in marriage with Peter Mount, who was born in Monmouth County, N. J., October 8, 1819. On coming to this state he settled in St. Alban's Township, Licking County, whence he removed a few years ago to his present home in Granville Township. He has been three times married. His first union was with Miss Gertrude Jobes, and they became the parents of seven children, only three of whom are now living, Samuel, Richard and Charles. After the death of Mrs. Gertrude Mount he married Mrs. Harris.

The political questions of the age receive from Mr. Mount due attention and he gives his support to the principles advocated by the Republican party. In religious belief he is a Baptist. His life has been that of a quiet, industrious and unostentatious farmer, who has endeavored to do unto others as he would have them do unto him. Not

only has he trained his sons by example and precept for honorable careers, but he has also assisted them financially, and although he has given each of them a good start in life still retains a sufficient amount to render his home comfortable in his declining days.

Mrs. Mount is a member of the Methodist Church and is a sincere Christian lady, who delights in doing good and is a friend to all worthy and deserving enterprises. She has exceeded the allotted age of three-score years and ten, and is still in the enjoyment of excellent health, with intellect unimpaired by the flight of time. For her many acts of kindness she is loved, honored and trusted by the people of the county where she has so long resided.

BURTON CASE. As a representative of the native-born citizens of Licking County who have spent their entire lives upon the farms they still cultivate, we present the name of Mr. Case, the well known resident of Granville. Upon his farm, consisting of four hundred and twenty-five acres, he engages in raising the various cereals to which the soil is adapted and also makes a specialty of raising standard and trotting-bred horses and merino sheep. In addition to this property he owns one hundred and seventy-eight acres south of Granville.

Upon the place where he now lives our subject was born July 27, 1851, to Lucius and Mary (Rose) Case, descendants of old New England families. The father was also born on this farm, to which in 1808 the grandfather, Grove Case, Jr., came with his father, Grove Case, Sr., from Simsbury, Conn., where the family was founded in Colonial times. The maternal grandfather of our subject, Levi Rose, was a soldier in the War of 1812 and served as Captain. The Rose family came to this county in 1805 with the Granville colony.

The father of our subject died July 3, 1866, but his widow still survives. They had two sons and three daughters, namely: Gilbert Grove and Celia, deceased; Helen, now Mrs. E. F. Hobart, of Granville; Burton, of this sketch, and Mary, wife of J. V. Minton, of Westfield, N. Y. Our subject, the next to the youngest of the family, was educated in the common schools and Denison University, but did not take a regular collegiate course. His occupation throughout life has been that of a farmer, and the success which has attended his efforts proves the wisdom of his choice.

The political questions and great issues of the present age receive from Mr. Case the attention they deserve from every loyal, public-spirited citizen. His political views bring him into affiliation with the Republican party, and he uniformly gives his ballot and influence to the men and measures advocated by that party. In the success of his party he maintains a deep interest and he believes that by the maintenance of its platform the best interests of the nation will be subserved. Socially he is a member of Center Star Lodge No. 11, F. & A. M., and also holds membership in the chapter and commandery of Newark.

On the 28th of December, 1876, Mr. Case was united in marriage to Miss Dora Howland, daughter of John L. and Elma (Gosnell) Howland, at the present time residents of Granville. Two children bless the union, named Stella and Helen. The family is well known in Granville and both Mr. and Mrs. Case enjoy the regard of a large circle of acquaintances.

WILLIAM L. WHITECAMP. Many of the enterprises of Newark have gained for their projectors considerable local fame, and a few of the more prominent concerns have established an extended reputation throughout Ohio. In the latter class stands the Baltimore Bent Works Company, of which the subject of this notice is the Secretary, and the success of which is

largely due to his ability and judicious management.

The Baltimore Bent Works were founded at Baltimore, Ohio, in 1888, at which time Dr. H. I. Hummel, William L. Whitecamp and J. C. Wintermuth formed a partnership and established the business. In 1891 they removed the plant to Newark and incorporated under the laws of Ohio as the Baltimore Bent Works Company, the officers being William E. Miller, President; L. P. Schaus, Treasurer, and William L. Whitecamp, Secretary. They have built an excellent plant, fully equipped with the best machinery, and furnish employment to more than forty men. The products consist of all kinds of bent wood used in manufacturing carriages and wagons and find market throughout the United States. Dr. Hummel and Mr. Whitecamp own a controlling interest in the business, of which the latter is the manager. The timber used is principally hickory and oak and is nearly all found in Licking and adjoining counties.

CHARLES E. HOOVER. With the progress and development of Licking County Mr. Hoover has throughout life been intimately associated. For some time he was a resident of McKean Township, but since 1883 his home has been in Newton Township, where he owns a finely improved farm comprising one hundred acres. In agricultural circles he is well known and is recognized as a careful, energetic farmer, who by his advanced ideas and progressive principles has done much to improve the farming interests of his section.

The parents of our subject are Charles and Mary H. (Franklin) Hoover. The father came to Newark about 1810 and for some time was variously employed, conducting a lumber business, later owning a livery stable, and afterward becoming a grocer. In company with Mr. Koos he contracted to grade the Newark, Sandusky & Mansfield Railroad for four miles. He continued to live in Newark until 1852, when he removed to McKean Township, and purchasing a sawmill and a farm, continued to operate both until 1859. He then disposed of that property and purchased what is now known as the Abe Wright farm, situated near Fredonia, in McKean Township. There he continued to make his home until he passed from earth, in November, 1866. A public-spirited, energetic citizen, he contributed his full quota to the advancement of Newark as well as the entire county.

The first marriage of Charles Hoover occurred about 1820 and united him with Rachel Hersey, who died twenty years afterward. In Newark in 1842 he was united with Mary H. Franklin, daughter of the late Edward Franklin, of Newark. They became the parents of three children: Charles E.; Mary, the wife of George T. Nash, and Olivia, who married George W. Rugg, of Newark. The wife and mother died at Newark in the summer of 1888.

The subject of this notice was born in Newark January 28, 1844, and after completing the studies of the common schools was about to enter Wesleyan College at Delaware, when his plans were changed by the Rebellion. Though a mere youth, he determined to give his service, and his life if need be, to his country, and accordingly on the 16th of October, 1862, he enlisted as a member of Company A, Tenth Ohio Cavalry, in which he served for three years. At Resaca, Ga., while in command of a picket line, he was shot in the right arm and also injured in the back, in consequence of which he was discharged from the army. At that time he was under General Kilpatrick and was Quartermaster-Sergeant, commanding the platoon of one company on the picket line.

Returning to Ohio, Mr. Hoover remained an inmate of his father's home in McKean Township until he established domestic ties. His marriage on Christmas Day of 1871 united him with Miss Attie S., daughter of the late Josiah Brackett, of Fredonia. They had two children, Florence and Charles, the latter dying in infancy. Mrs. Attie S. Hoover died in McKean Township in October, 1880, and our subject was again married,

his union taking place January 12, 1882, in McKean Township, and uniting him with Miss Mary, daughter of the late Richard Swartz, of McKean Township. Two children bless this union: Charles F. and Uri E.

In 1883 Mr. Hoover removed from McKean to Newton Township, where he has since taken an active part in local affairs. While residing in McKean Township he was for ten years Township Clerk and also served as a member of the School Board. In religious matters he is an active worker and is especially interested in the Sunday-school. Socially he affiliates with the Masonic fraternity.

WILLIAM FROST PRESTON is a member of one of the pioneer families that came to Licking County in 1811. He was born at Chatham, Newton Township, January 5, 1819, and is a son of Samuel and Rachel (Frost) Preston, natives of Washington County, Pa. After their marriage they came to Licking County and made for themselves a home in the forests of Newton Township. There were four Preston brothers who settled in this county: Nathan in 1808; Samuel in 1811, and Jonathan and Jacob in 1813, all locating in the same neighborhood and within a mile of one another. Jacob, who never married, died on the anniversary of his birth, at the age of eighty-four. The other brothers married and each had a family of twelve children.

Samuel, father of our subject, was a Captain of militia and a man of some prominence in his locality. His family consisted of three sons and nine daughters, all of whom attained years of maturity, and five are living at this writing (1894). The name of Preston has been associated with the history of Licking County for almost a century, and its members have been industrious, honest, upright and useful people. William F. was reared to manhood in Newton Township and received a limited education in the old-fashioned subscription schools. His first teacher was a Mr. Maxfield, a shoemaker by trade, who made shoes in the school room, working at his bench while hearing recitations by the classes.

Mr. Preston left home in the fall after he became of age, and began farming for himself on rented land. Six years later he bought one hundred and thirty-seven acres in McKean Township, and from time to time purchased other tracts until his landed possessions aggregated three hundred and sixty-five acres. He continued farming and sheep raising until 1874, when he traded his home farm for city property and removed to Newark, still retaining two farms, on which his son and daughter reside.

October 15, 1840, Mr. Preston married Miss Mary Weaver, a native of Virginia, and a daughter of John and Margaret (Kiter) Weaver, with whom she came to Burlington Township in childhood. Three children blessed this union, Silas O., Elizabeth Angeline and Frances Caroline (twins). The wife and mother passed from earth on the 10th of October, 1874, and her remains were interred in Cedar Hill Cemetery. The second marriage of Mr. Preston took place February 22, 1877, his wife being Mrs. Catherine Elliott, of Mt. Vernon, who died in 1887.

The only son of Mr. Preston, Silas O., was educated at Denison University, and is now engaged in farming in Newton Township. He has five children living, Charles M., Delmer H., Daisy May, Floyd B. and Fay, and has lost two sons and a daughter. Frances Caroline married Z. Davis, now deceased, and at present is living on a farm in McKean Township. She has lost one child and has four living, Guy W., Winfield J., Samuel and Angie M., all of whom were born in Butte County, Cal. Mr. Preston has a pleasant home at No. 279 Locust Street, which is presided over by his daughter, Miss Angie, an estimable and cultured lady. She and her sister were educated at the Granville Female Seminary.

In politics Mr. Preston has usually supported the candidates of the Democratic party, but in local affairs favors the best man, regardless of party

ties, never giving his support to an intemperate man for any office. For some time he served as Trustee and also held the office of School Director for twenty-five years. He belongs to the Christian Church and has always contributed liberally to the support of the Gospel. His life has been characterized by many acts of charity to the poor, and his religion has been of that practical kind which seeks the uplifting of humanity and the alleviation of suffering. Socially he is a Mason and for many years was an active member of Farmers' Lodge No. 382, A. F. & A. M., of Fredonia, in which he filled the office of Worshipful Master for six years. He began life almost empty handed, but by industry, perseverance and honest dealings has achieved success, and is now living retired in the enjoyment of a competence and a well earned rest.

WILLIAM J. CULLY. The farming interests of Union Township have an able representative in the subject of this sketch, who has been a life-long resident of the county, having been born in Newark, February 7, 1828. His father, Thomas Cully, who was born near Wheeling, W. Va., February 16, 1796, was one of the early settlers of Licking County. Here on the 12th of April, 1827, he was united with Mary Taylor, a native of Madison Township, this county, born March 19, 1809.

In 1830 the family removed to the present site of the village of Hebron, settling on an adjacent farm. Thomas Cully laid out a portion of the village, which from 1835 until the close of the war was a prosperous town. The advent of the railroad and the discontinuance of traffic on the Ohio Canal and National Road soon built up rival towns elsewhere, and to-day Hebron, though a pleasant village of three hundred people, is not doing the business it did a half-century ago. Our subject in earlier life was accustomed to see merchants from Columbus at Hebron, having come here to receive their goods, as this was the nearest point on the canal; he also remembers when the citizens of Newark came here to trade.

Until about 1830 Thomas Cully operated a general store at Hebron and dealt extensively in grain and produce. A successful business man, as well as a man of strict integrity, he accumulated a fine property by industry and careful attention to business. His death occurred August 9, 1854, at the age of fifty-eight. Afterward his widow made her home at the old place, and at her death, May 2, 1875, at sixty-six years, her son James A., in whose family she had lived, became the owner of her share of the estate.

The family of Thomas Cully consisted of the following children: William John; Mary, born April 2, 1830, who is the widow of Dr. Ristler and resides in Hebron; Margaret, who was born December 30, 1833, and died at the age of nineteen months; Thomas, who was born September 25, 1838, and died of consumption March 29, 1859; Rachel A., who was born July 22, 1841, is the widow of Albert D. Wells and resides in Hebron; George, who was born November 29, 1843, and died November 23, 1854; and James A., born February 18, 1847, and is represented elsewhere in this volume.

In boyhood years our subject was kept closely in school, though, boy-like, he would often have preferred to be elsewhere. About 1845 he began to learn the tanner's trade, at which he was employed until 1850, his father owning a tannery at Hebron. While in some respects this occupation was objectionable, yet he preferred it to work in his father's store, as with the independence characteristic of the American citizen, he preferred to be at the head of a business rather than to be under the orders of others. After having engaged in practical business for a few years, he became aware of a deficiency in his education and told his father he must go to school. The father, ever ready to render aid, encouraged him in his decision and stated that he would attend to the tannery, but the son declined to take a partner, saying that he would attend to the concern on Saturday. This he did, while he spent a year at Granville Academy.

Going to Baraboo, Wis., in 1852, Mr. Cully embarked in the dry-goods business, continuing two years. In June, 1854, he visited Licking County while en route to New York for goods. In the latter city he met his father and mother, the

former being there under treatment for cancer. Finding that the case was incurable and that he had been named in the will as executor of the estate, he returned to Wisconsin without purchasing goods, sold out the business and came back to Hebron in time to be present at his father's death and burial. Assuming control of the estate, he has since been identified with the farming interests of the county.

July 5, 1854, Mr. Cully married Miss Ellen J. Dunbar, a native of Canton, Stark County, Ohio, born March 22, 1828. It was at his father's request that the wedding was solemnized just before his death, he stating that he wished to die assured that his wife would have a pleasant home during her declining years. The following children were born to the union: Mary E., born March 19, 1855, who resides at home; Lillian F. (her twin sister), now the wife of Francis Aid, a civil engineer of Cincinnati, residing in Granville; John Thomas, born May 4, 1857, and died January 23, 1864; William, who was born August 31, 1858, and died October 4 of the same year; Frederick S., born October 1, 1860, who married Miss Cora Minthorn and is a civil engineer by occupation, his home being in Hebron; George T., born February 2, 1862, who married Miss Lucy Stoolfire and is a railroad contractor living in Muncie, Ind.; and Robert D., born January 21, 1863, who superintends the work on the home farm.

When Mr. Cully started west his father gave him $1,200, which he invested in his mercantile business. He inherited $5,000 less the sum previously advanced. The party to whom he sold his stock of goods in Wisconsin failed and he lost it all. He lost heavily in buying the stock on the homestead after his father's death, so that he has accumulated through personal exertions the greater portion of his possessions. He owns three hundred and twenty-five acres of land, of which two hundred are included in his homestead. This is a fine farm of bottom land, level and fertile, containing good buildings and a commodious brick residence.

In political matters Mr. Cully is a recognized leader in the Democratic ranks, and while never an aspirant for official position, he has held the office of Township Trustee for many years. In religious matters he is liberal. Socially he has been identified with the Masonic order about twenty years. He has witnessed many wonderful changes in this section of the state, including the advent of the railroad into Licking County, thus displacing the slow-going coach and canal packet. He has also witnessed the erection of the great telegraph lines which bear instantaneous intelligence of robberies, murders, wars, havoc and personal news from ocean to ocean, thus displacing the swift messengers whom he has seen riding through the township en route from Washinton, D. C., to the great west, with their flaring trumpet to warn people of their approach; but while he has witnessed all this and much more that cannot be enumerated, he sees no greater thrift, prosperity and happiness to-day than there was before the advent of these modern wonders.

HENRY BEEM was born in Lima Township, Licking County, October 6, 1828, and upon the farm where he was born he has passed his entire life, a period of sixty-six years. He and his sister, Catharine B., wife of Enoch Beels, are the only survivors of a family of three sons and five daughters born to the union of Andrew and Elizabeth (Miller) Beem, natives of Allegany County, Md. His father, a farmer by occupation, came to Ohio in 1809, before the city of Columbus had been founded, and when many of the now flourishing cities of the state were unmarked by any sign of habitation. He located permanently in Ohio in 1811, at which time he made settlement near Newark, Licking County. About 1817 he bought the farm now owned by our subject. Here he continued to make his home until November 28, 1863, when he passed away at the age of eighty-three years. A little more than one year afterward, on the 12th of December,

1864, his wife died aged seventy-four years. In religious belief he was a Universalist, and she was a member of the Methodist Church.

Our subject's paternal grandfather, Michael Beem, was of Welsh and German descent, his grandfather having been born in Wales. For seven years he served as a soldier in the Colonial army during the Revolutionary War, and was a personal acquaintance of General Washington, behind whom he frequently rode upon a campaign against the British. He was taken prisoner shortly before the close of the war. His occupation was that of a farmer. With eight sons and four daughters he came to Ohio, and settling in Licking County, continued to reside in Jersey Township until his death, in 1852. Though he attained an advanced age, dying when between ninety-five and ninety-six years old, he retained his mental and physical activity until shortly before his demise. The maternal grandfather of our subject, Christopher Miller, was born in Maryland, of German descent, and spent his entire life as a farmer in the state of his nativity.

As long as his parents lived, our subject remained with them. He had two brothers, Michael and Frederick G., and the father divided the land among the sons, giving the old homestead with fifty-eight acres to Henry, who took care of him until his death. On the 21st of October, 1856, our subject was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth Jane, daughter of Thomas and Catharine (Straight) Mann, natives of New Jersey. Seven children blessed the union: Thomas Andrew, Albert A., Vilora A., Frank S., Vorhees B., Henry L. and Homer L., of whom the latter died in infancy. Thomas A. married Miss Amanda Souders, and they have two daughters, Minnie L. and Oudra M. Albert A. chose as his wife Lucy Clotts, and they are the parents of one son, Howard L. Vilora A., the wife of George Clotts, has one son, Herbert V. Frank S. was united with Miss Lillie Merril, and they have one child, Gettie M.

The old homestead, which has been the life-long abode of Mr. Beem, is under a high state of cultivation and contains first-class improvements. Both he and his wife are held in high esteem throughout the community. Their home is the abode of hospitality, and they are genial, sociable people, who easily win friends and as easily retain them. Politically the Democratic party and principles receive his support. He is connected socially with Jersey Lodge No. 533, I. O. O. F.

WILLIAM J. MOSSMAN, a prominent agriculturist of Madison Township, resides upon the Shawnee farm, so called in recognition of the relics of that race to be found thereon. He was born in Clarke County, Ohio, March 9, 1861, and is the son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Jordan) Mossman. The father was born in Rockingham County, Va., in 1825, while the mother was a native of Mason County, W. Va., and was born in 1832.

The family consisted of seven sons and three daughters, of whom William J. is the fourth in order of birth. Two died in childhood, while the eldest son, Charles, a teacher by profession, died in Cabell County, W. Va., at the age of twenty-one. The five surviving sons, Joseph H., John M., Robert O., Lewis and William J., reside in Licking County. John M. is a talented and successful teacher, and is Vice-President of the Teachers' Institute of the county. Robert O. has also been engaged in teaching for the past three years. The father was also a teacher for about twenty years. The two surviving daughters, Harriet and Jane, are married, as is also Joseph H. Harriet married LaFayette Collins, of Newark, and they have four children. Jane is the widow of the late Summerfield Fulk, and has two children. Joseph, who married Emma Holman, lives on the home farm.

Until the age of fourteen our subject attended the common schools. His father being a teacher by profession, he enjoyed excellent home advantages, and secured a good education. May 15, 1888, he married Mrs. Matilda (Shaw) Gutridge, the widow of Elisha Gutridge and the daughter of William and Mary Shaw, who were early settlers

of Madison Township. Mrs. Mossman was born upon the farm where she now lives, and which she inherited from her father. By her first marriage she has two children, Mary Estella and LeRoy Everett, who are fourteen and twelve years of age respectively. Three children have blessed the union of Mr. and Mrs. Mossman, Madge, Ida May and Howard William.

As a member of the Democratic party Mr. Mossman takes a deep interest in public affairs, and supports public-spirited measures. He and his wife are active members of the Christian Union Church and are leading workers in the Sunday-school, he having been Superintendent a number of times and she having taught a class. He belongs to the Patrons of Husbandry, an organization of farmers in Madison Township. Upon his farm he engages in the raising of cereals, and always devotes considerable time to the raising of cattle and hogs, in which he has met with success. The place consists of two hundred acres, bearing good improvements and embellished with an elegant residence, erected in 1890. All other buildings necessary to the proper management of the place may be found here, and altogether the estate is one of the best in the township.

JOHN G. JONES. In Newton Township there is no citizen who to a higher degree enjoys the confidence of the people than the subject of this sketch, a life-long resident of Licking County. By his energy and resolute force of character he has not only advanced his material success, but has given an impetus to the growth of the township, and is now actively forwarding various enterprises for its advancement in important directions.

On New Year's Day of 1851 the subject of this sketch was born in Granville Township, Licking County, Ohio. His parents, Henry Lloyd and Mary E. Jones, were natives of South Wales, and were married in Licking County, after which they settled in Granville Township. He was a stonemason, which trade he followed throughout many years of his life, though at a somewhat advanced age he abandoned his trade for the occupation of a farmer, and was engaged in tilling the soil in Granville Township at the time of his demise. His wife also died in that township.

The subject of this sketch is the second of four children, the others being Maggie, Mary A. and Harry L. In the common schools of the home locality he was a diligent student whenever an opportunity was presented, and there he gained a practical knowledge of the three Rs. His education has since been extended by reading and observation, so that he is now a well informed man. From boyhood he was familiar with farming pursuits, and chose agriculture when the time came for him to select a life vocation. Succeeding events have proved his choice to be a wise one.

The first marriage of Mr. Jones took place March 4, 1871, in McKean Township, this county, his bride being Miss Jane Henthorn. Their wedded life was of brief duration, for the wife passed away October 19, 1877, in McKean Township. Mr. Jones was again married in this county on the 1st of January, 1880, his wife being Miss Christina McLain, an estimable and amiable lady, who has spent her entire life in this county. In social circles Mr. and Mrs. Jones are popular and well known, and to their hospitable home often come their hosts of personal friends, to enjoy with them a few hours of congenial intercourse.

The principles of the Democratic party have secured the hearty allegiance of Mr. Jones, who never fails to uphold the candidates of that political organization. A man of keen intelligence, he supports all measures seeking to develop the material resources of the county. In April of 1891 he was elected one of the Trustees of Newton Township, and in the spring of 1894 he was re-elected to that office, in which he is still serving. As a public official, private citizen and successful farmer, he enjoys the regard of the people of the

community, who realize that in him they have one who is deeply interested in the promotion of the best interests of the township, and the development of the vast resources of the county.

JOHN SIMPSON, President of Simpson's Soap Manufacturing Company of Newark, succeeded Ira Abbott in the business in 1865, and associated with Michael Tyrer conducted the enterprise under the firm name of Simpson & Tyrer. Afterward he became the sole proprietor and so continued until 1892, when he took into the firm his son, Frederick W., and the business has since been carried on as Simpson's Soap Manufacturing Company. The factory is located at No. 265 West Main Street, and here are manufactured various brands of laundry soap, including "Rock," "Sunnyside," "German" and "Brown." A large per cent. of the output is sold in the home market, and its good qualities commend it to all housewives.

Near Halifax, in Yorkshire, England, the subject of this notice was born August 8, 1831, being a son of Joseph and Mary Ann (Shepard) Simpson, natives respectively of Yorkshire and Bath. The father was a son of John Simpson, who owned and operated an iron foundry, in which the former was also interested, being the general manager. In 1841 he emigrated to this country and settled at Newark, where he purchased the log cabin built during the campaign of 1840, and familiarly known as General Harrison's Buckeye log cabin. This he turned into a foundry, which was called the Buckeye foundry. In 1843 he sold out and removed to Somerset, Ohio, where he was similarly engaged. While there he advocated the development of the Shawnee mines, and became well known as the pioneer of the iron industry in Perry County.

Returning to Newark in 1850, Joseph Simpson purchased the foundry he had previously operated, and this he continued to manage until his death, in 1856, at the age of fifty-six. His wife survived him until 1865. She was an Episcopalian, while he was liberal in his religious opinions. They had three sons and one daughter: Thomas, of Newark; John; Emily, who died in childhood; and Joseph, who is engaged in business at Columbus, Ohio. The father of this family had one sister, Harriet, who came to the United States; she married William Peel, and died in Springfield, Ill.

A boy of ten years when the family came to Newark, our subject here learned the moulder's trade and worked in the foundry with his father for several years, and after the death of the latter, he with his brothers continued the business. In 1859 he went to Texas, and in Galveston was foreman in a foundry for two years, when the business became dull and unprofitable. Later he worked in a soap factory, and thus was introduced to his present business. The state of Texas started a foundry and he was requested to assist in putting the plant into operation, which he did.

During the Civil War our subject was drafted into the Confederate army, but as his sympathies were not in that direction he had no desire to assist in fighting their battles. Accordingly he secured a horse and rode into Mexico, where much of his time was spent for fourteen months, although soon after going into that country General Banks with his troops appeared at the Rio Grande, thus rendering it safe for him to return to the other side. He served as engineer on a steamboat for the United States army, furnishing supplies, and subsequently operated a condenser on Brazos Island. Meantime his family were in Austin, and for a year received no tidings from him, nor he from them. Fortunately, he persuaded a Confederate soldier to mail a letter from him to them, which not only allayed their fears on his account, but also secured his personal safety, for they drove a horse and wagon to Matamoras, where they met him. He then returned to Newark, where he has since engaged in the soap business.

In the spring of 1859 Mr. Simpson married Miss Catherine B. Tyrer, a sister of his partner, and a daughter of Jacob and Catherine Tyrer. Mrs. Simpson was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, and

accompanied the family to the United States in 1854, settling in Newark, where her parents died. She is of German descent, and the family name was originally spelled Theurer. To her marriage there were born six children: Mary Ann, who is now the wife of William Allison Monroe, of Spokane, Wash.; Kate B., a teacher in the public schools of Spokane; John M., also a resident of Spokane; Carrie B., who died in 1890, at the age of twenty-three years; Fred W., who is associated in business with his father; and Emma, wife of William Zentmeyer, of Newark.

Believing in free trade as a national institution, Mr. Simpson naturally supports the Democratic party. He has served as a member of the City Council, and has been tax appraiser of the city. He was one of the founders of one of the most prominent concerns of its kind in the city, the Home Building Association Company, in which he is now a stockholder. Socially he is a member of Newark Lodge No. 97, A. F. & A. M.; Warren Chapter No. 6, R. A. M.; Bigelow Council No. 7, R. & S. M., and is also a Knight Templar.

JAMES C. LINN, who is numbered among the successful business men of Newark, became a resident of this place in 1874 and for the eight years ensuing was employed at his trade, that of a carpenter. Since that time he has devoted his attention principally to the occupation of a contractor and has superintended the erection of many of the finest structures in the city. While he has made a specialty of the building of residences, he has not confined his attention exclusively to that work, but has also built some of the most substantial business blocks of the place. He had the contract for the woodwork for both the high school building and the paper mill, and these structures stand as monuments to his skill and efficiency.

The Linn family is of Irish descent and the name is variously spelled by different representatives. An uncle of our subject in California, also one in Indiana, spell the name Lynd, while other relatives use a somewhat different combination of letters, spelling the name Lynn. From the Emerald Isle our subject's grandfather emigrated to the United States and settled in Greenfield, Washington County, Pa., where he engaged in farming. He had a family of four sons and five daughters, and of these John, the father of our subject, was born in Washington County June 20, 1828. During the Civil War he was engaged as a boat builder, though his principal occupation was that of farming. He died January 5, 1894. His wife, Nancy Sibbitt, was also born in Washington County, Pa., and died in 1862.

The family of John Linn consisted of six children, of whom James C., the eldest, was born in Greene County, Pa., September 17, 1849. Rachel Matilda married George Fetherland and died in Washington County, Pa.; William is a builder at Tiffin, Ohio; John I., a farmer, cultivates the old homestead in Washington County; Margaret married William Snyder and resides in Washington County; Matthew is a carpenter in West Berkeley, Cal. Politically the father was a Republican and held various local offices. In religious belief he was a member of the Disciples' Church, while his wife was a Baptist.

When a lad of twelve years our subject was orphaned by his mother's death and from that time forward he was obliged to make his own way in the world. In Pennsylvania he learned the trade of a carpenter, which he has since followed. November 19, 1876, he married Mary E. Smallwood, who was born near Dresden, Ohio, and they are the parents of five children, Clarence E., Fannie E., Orrin J., Edna and Calvin. The great issues of the age receive due attention from Mr. Linn, who is a progressive citizen and a firm advocate of the principles of the Republican party. At the present time he is serving as a member of the City Council, and uses his influence to secure the adoption of such measures as will most rapidly enhance the prosperity of the people. He is a Director in the Home Building Association Company and deals in real estate, owning considerable

improved property, including his commodious and modern residence at No. 140 Granville Street. In his religious connections he is a Baptist and is a Trustee in that church. He is a member of the United American Mechanics and is at present an officer in that organization.

WILLIAM BRADDOCK PARKER. Reference to the agricultural interests of this county would be incomplete were no mention made of Mr. Parker among others engaged in tilling the soil. The farm of which he is the owner and proprietor consists of fifty-five acres and is pleasantly situated in Mary Ann Township, in the midst of a fine farming region. So successful has he been in his chosen occupation that his opinions upon all matters pertaining to agriculture carry with them great weight in the community in which he lives.

Within a mile of his present home in Mary Ann Township the subject of this notice was born April 3, 1854. He is the fourth among ten children comprising the family of William and Ruth (McVey) Parker, natives respectively of Virginia and Pennsylvania. Upon the home farm he spent the years of boyhood and youth, and in addition to gaining a thorough knowledge of agriculture he also learned the trade of a carpenter, which he followed for several years. He still continues to do all his own work in that line.

In Mary Ann Township December 7, 1876, occurred the marriage of William B. Parker and Miss Achsah Billman. Her parents, Henry and Barbara (Haines) Billman, came to Licking County about 1844 from Coshocton County, and here they reared their family of five sons and four daughters, of whom Mrs. Parker is the youngest. She is a lady of refinement and amiable disposition and is especially devoted to the welfare of her husband and children. Of the latter there are six living, and two, Dilmer B. and Luther, died in infancy. The others are Harley Virgil, Ada, Charles, Ray, Gertie and Mertie (twins), all of whom are with their parents and are students in the public schools of the district.

As a member of the Democratic party Mr. Parker takes an intelligent interest in matters of local and national importance. All progressive measures receive his sympathy and active support, and he favors any enterprise calculated to promote the welfare of his fellow-citizens. For eight years he resided in St. Louis, that being the only period of his life spent outside of the township. While a resident of that place he served for five years as a member of the Village Council. Returning to his native township he was elected to the office of Trustee and still holds that position. He and his wife are sincere Christians and faithful members of the Disciples' Church. In addition to his farm, he owns some valuable town property in St. Louisville. His success has been achieved unaided, and he well deserves the high regard in which he is held by all his acquaintances.

JESSE R. MOORE. When contemplating the present condition of this state and noting the wonderful development of its resources and growth of its civilization, due credit should always be given to those who stood in the vanguard and bore many privations that we of the present generation find it hard to realize. Among these pioneers the late Mr. Moore was numbered, and as such our readers will be pleased to note this sketch of his life, which is herewith presented in outline. The details of his work, of his struggles and successes, hardships and comforts, must be left to the imagination of the reader.

In this connection it will not be amiss to mention somewhat briefly the parentage of our subject. His father, Samuel Moore, was born in New Jersey and removed from there to Shenandoah

County, Va., coming thence to Ohio in 1817. On his arrival in this state he settled in Licking Township, Licking County, where he continued to reside until his death, on Christmas Day of 1849. His wife bore the maiden name of Christina Brumback and was a native of Virginia; she attained a venerable age and died in Licking County June 19, 1870.

The parental family consisted of six children, two sons and four daughters, who attained mature years. Jesse R., the eldest of these, was born in Shenandoah County, Va., April 1, 1810, and was a child of seven years when he accompanied his parents to the Buckeye State. His early boyhood was passed amid rural surroundings and in the enjoyment of such opportunities as belonged to the time and place. In his youth he learned the trade of a carriage and wagon maker, and under his father gained a practical knowledge of all kinds of wood work. For many years he followed his trade, but his later years were devoted to agriculture.

In Newark Township, November 6, 1839, Mr. Moore was united in marriage with Miss Hannah, the daughter of John and Julia (Johnson) Riddall, who in an early day came from Vermont to Cleveland, Ohio, and there died. Mrs. Moore was born in Cleveland, November 14, 1822, and was orphaned by the death of her parents when she was a mere child. She was then adopted into the family of Amos Halliday, with whom she remained until her marriage. Her union resulted in the birth of nine children, as follows: Marian F., the wife of Thomas K. Sutton; Christina J., who married Gideon Sutton; Samuel E., who chose as his wife Miss Tillie Bussey; Lillie H., the wife of Carl Funke; Aurelia N., Mrs. Oliver Haynes; Clara A., the wife of W. B. Ogden; Fannie I., who married Henry S. Fleek (see his sketch on another page); Ellen I., who died in infancy, and Jesse S., who passed away in boyhood.

So successful was Mr. Moore in his agricultural enterprises that he became the owner of about nine hundred acres. Upon his farm he erected a substantial set of buildings, and there, surrounded by all the comforts of life, he remained until called from earth, August 6, 1887. He was a witness of much of the growth of the country, and had an honorable part in promoting its material prosperity. A public-spirited citizen, he did good service in civic office and filled for some time the position of Justice of the Peace. His death was a loss not only to his family, but also to his fellow-citizens, who realized that in his death one of the best citizens was gone hence. His widow still makes her home on the old homestead in Licking Township.

EMMETT PATTERSON. The agriculturists of Licking Township, as a rule, possess general intelligence, thorough understanding of their calling, and great energy, and they therefore rank well among the farmers of Iowa. Among those who for years have successfully pursued the peaceful occupation of tilling the soil is the gentleman above named, who is a representative farmer and stock-raiser of Madison Township. This has been the only home he has ever known, and here he was born January 11, 1838.

The Patterson family is of Irish descent, and James W., the father of our subject, was a native of County Down, whence he emigrated to America in 1801. After a short sojourn in America he went back to Ireland, and upon returning to this country settled in Licking County, Ohio, prior to his marriage. He was united with Ann M. Casterline, a native of Ohio, and both now lie buried in Madison Township. Their family numbered four children, our subject being the only son. Mrs. Elizabeth Belford resides in Granville, Ohio; Mary became the wife of William Condon and lives in Logansport, Ind.; Mrs. Margaret Wilson, the third sister, died in Madison Township in 1889, leaving one daughter.

The subject of this notice received a fair education in the public schools, and began business on his own account immediately after the war. He was one of the many who responded to his country's call in the dark hours of its peril. His name

was enrolled as a member of the One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Ohio National Guards, and the regiment was soon ordered to the front, serving in Maryland and Virginia. He participated in two general engagements and several skirmishes. Failing health, however, rendered his service shorter than he desired. He served until the expiration of his period of enlistment, and desired to again go to the front, but was prevented on account of his health.

In 1865 Mr. Patterson took for his life partner Miss Carrie Wilson, daughter of Stewart and Lovina Wilson, whose sketches appear herein. Two children comprise the family of our subject and his wife, James S. and Olive E., both under the parental roof. They have enjoyed excellent educational advantages, and are well informed and popular young people. Politically, Mr. Patterson is an active and energetic Republican, and has never voted any other ticket save that of his chosen party. The family is connected with the Methodist Episcopal Church. The home farm is one of the best in the township and contains all the accessories of a model estate, together with every convenience for the successful prosecution of general farming and stock-raising.

FRANK DENMAN. Farming and stock-raising have formed the chief occupation of this gentleman, and the enterprising manner in which he has taken advantage of every method and idea tending toward the enhanced value of his property has had considerable to do with his success in life. His farm, consisting of one hundred and thirty acres, is probably the best improved estate in Hanover Township. A fine large house and three commodious barns are among the improvements made within the last fourteen years.

In Perry Township, Licking County, March 26, 1850, was born Frank, son of Philip R. and Susan (Platt) Denman. The paternal grandfather, also named Philip Denman, came to Licking County from New Jersey in 1804, and began the improvement of the farm now owned by our subject. While thus engaged, a mound of considerable size was discovered, which upon opening was found to contain human bones. Judging from the length of the thigh bones, size of skull and teeth, it is believed that this extinct race were giants in stature. Applying the usual rule, they were not less than seven feet high. The clay from this mound is now used as an approach to one of our subject's fine barns.

The father of our subject was numbered among the leading citizens of Perry Township. He and his wife had five children, of whom three are now living, Frank being the eldest. Leonora is the wife of John W. Gardner, of Fallsbury Township. Ida J. married George S. Frost, one of the most prominent citizens of the county, and then living at Denman's Cross Roads, near the village of Reform. That dread disease, consumption, carried him to a premature grave May 15, 1894, at the age of thirty-three years. He was well-to-do and left his widow and two children in comfortable circumstances financially.

To the knowledge acquired in the public schools, our subject has added the information gained only by careful reading, close observation and self-culture. He was the only son and the main stay of his parents, with whom he remained until their demise. His father was one of the wealthiest men in Licking County, and at the time of his death was the owner of a large amount of valuable property in Licking County, besides real estate in Rockford, Ill. For many years before his death, he placed the management of his business affairs in the hands of his son Frank, in whom he relied so greatly, that he named him as his executor without bond. The division of the property was made through the influence of our subject, and was generally satisfactory. The father passed away April 20, 1886, while the mother died July 16, 1884.

February 25, 1877, occurred the marriage of Frank Denman and Miss Nancy Gault. This lady is the daughter of James and Rachel Gault, natives of Ohio, the latter of whom died October 2, 1876,

and the former May 22, 1879. To Mr. and Mrs. Denman have been born three sons, as follows: Alva, whose birth occurred June 5, 1879; Clarence, June 13, 1882; and Charles, April 25, 1886. These are bright and intelligent boys, whose prospects for the future are very bright. They are enjoying excellent school advantages, attending the Hanover graded schools nine months each year.

In political faith the father of our subject was a Whig until the organization of the Republican party, the principles of which he afterward zealously supported until his death. Our subject is also an active Republican. Having traveled considerably, he has gained a broad fund of information, which makes him a genial companion. He enjoys the esteem of all who know him, and in his community he is an acknowledged authority on all questions in controversy or in litigation between neighbors.

THOMAS WESLEY SHANNON, a representative farmer of Madison Township, was born here June 15, 1849, and is the son of Thomas and Elmira (Hoyte) Shannon, both of whom were natives of Licking County, the former born October 28, 1819, and the latter in 1823. The paternal grandfather, Thomas Shannon, was born in Pennsylvania in 1780 and came to Licking County at an early date in the settlement of Ohio. His family consisted of the following-named children, Margaret, Lanty, Henry, Susan, Thomas, Mary and Elizabeth, all of whom settled in this county and all are now deceased.

The parents of our subject died in Madison Township, the father at the age of seventy-two, and the mother when sixty-nine. Four children were born to them, three of whom are living, viz.: Sarah, now Mrs. Nathan Denman, living in Perry Township, this county; Thomas Wesley; Celieb, who died in early youth; and William W. Our subject had the advantages of a good education and grew to manhood on his father's farm. He began life on his own account prior to his marriage and without other means than a strong constitution and willing hands.

The first wife of Mr. Shannon was Mandilla, daughter of Josiah Johnson, a native of Licking County. The only child born of this union died in infancy, and the wife and mother died of consumption after less than two years of wedded life. Their marriage took place in September, 1870, and she passed away April 5, 1872. The second union of Mr. Shannon occurred September 12, 1880, his wife being Miss Elizabeth Wales, who was born in Madison Tonnship, and has always made this her home. Her parents, Henry and Louise (Schaefner) Wales, were natives of Germany, the father emigrating to America at the age of fourteen years, and the mother coming two years prior to her marriage They have always lived on the same farm in Madison Township, where they now make their home.

Mrs. Shannon is one of six children, namely: Louise, who is unmarried and at home; Elizabeth; George, who died unmarried in 1893, at the age of thirty-nine; Caroline, who married Samuel Drumm, of Madison Township, and they have four children; Henry, who married Miss Flewelying, a resident of Newark and an employe of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway Company; and William, who married Miss Davidson and lives on the old homestead. Two uncles of Mrs. Shannon, Michael and Fred Schaefner, were soldiers during the Civil War, the former serving through the entire period of the Rebellion and participating in many of its decisive engagements, being with General Grant at the surrender of Lee, as well as through the final campaign. Fred served over two years and also took part in many battles. Mr. and Mrs. Shannon are the parents of two children, Laura and Webster, who are students in the district schools.

While a Democrat in questions of national importance, Mr. Shannon is unbiased by party lines in local affairs and votes and works for the best man. He is a public-spirited, progressive citizen

and takes an active interest in the great questions of the age. He has never sought office, though he is now one of the Trustees of Madison Township, having been elected on the Democratic ticket. For twenty-five years he has been a member of the Masonic order and belongs to Hanover Lodge No. 338 at Hanover, in which he has held various official positions.

Prior to his father's death Mr. Shannon had accumulated a snug little sum, mostly in cash, and from his father's estate he inherited about $3,000. He is now the owner of a small farm in Madison Township, in which is a fine bed of brick moulding sand. This he delivers to brick kilns and receives a fair compensation therefor. He is a man of industry, energy and good judgment, and is numbered among the highly respected citizens of the township.

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ANDREW J. CRILLY. Business men of Newark, as of other enterprising towns, are its bone and sinew, and draw to its centralizing influence such citizens as are of profit and will enhance its prosperity. The subject of this sketch is a prominent and influential real-estate dealer of this city. Being endowed by nature with excellent judgment and sound common sense, he has added to these qualities an enviable reputation for progressiveness, integrity and honorable dealing, and his exceptional business ability is recognized by all his associates.

A native of the county in which he now lives, Andrew J. Crilly was born July 10, 1848, and is a son of Andrew and Grace (Mossman) Crilly, natives respectively of Pennsylvania and Virginia. The paternal grandparents came to this country from Ireland and settled in Pennsylvania, where occurred the birth of their son Andrew in 1805. The latter, when a young man, was for a time employed on the national road from Cumberland, Md., to Springfield, Ohio, and also worked on the Ohio Canal. His marriage occurred in Licking County, and he resided in Jacksontown until his death, at the age of sixty-two years. His wife survived him several years.

In the parental family there were nine children, seven of whom attained to mature years, two dying in infancy. John is a resident of Kansas; Mary married John Thompson and lives in Licking County; Ella, the wife of Stephen Thompson, also resides in Licking County; Edward makes his home in Michigan; Louise is the wife of James Fulton, of Licking County; William died at the age of twenty-two years. Andrew J. was reared in this county, and after finishing the studies of the common schools, entered the profession of a teacher, which he followed for some time. For three years he was Principal of the Jacksontown schools, spending the vacations in farm work.

Coming to Newark, Mr. Crilly was appointed Deputy Sheriff by George W. Hall, under whom he served for four years. He was also deputy under James M. Brown for four months, and at the resignation of that gentleman he was appointed by the County Commissioners to fill the unexpired

term. This he did with such credit to himself and in such an efficient manner that at the expiration of the term he was re-elected. At the close of that term he was again elected to succeed himself. After having served for three terms he retired from the office, in 1893, and has since been engaged in the real-estate business.

In politics a Democrat, Mr. Crilly has been elected to other positions aside from the one above mentioned and has served as Assessor, Constable and Justice of the Peace of Licking Township. Frequently he has been a delegate to county and district conventions, and was Secretary of the Democratic Executive Committee during the campaign of 1892. Socially he is identified with the Masonic fraternity, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias, and is Past Master of Hebron Lodge No. 116, A. F. & A. M., of which he has been a member for twenty years.

The marriage of Mr. Crilly united him with Miss Mary E., daughter of Jacob and Susan Moon, and a native of Franklin Township, Licking County. Five children bless the union, Etta M., Clyde G., Maud O., Bertha L. and Mary F.

JAMES SIMPSON, an honored resident of Toboso, and a veteran of the late war, was born in Hanover Township, Licking County, June 17, 1817. His father, Isaac Simpson, was born in Petersburg, Hardy County, Va., and was twice married, his first wife, Susan Greenwell, being also a native of Hardy County. Three children resulted from this union: Thomas, Solomon and Nancy. The two sons are deceased; the daughter married a Mr. Cline and removed to Texas, where it is believed the family was murdered by Indians.

During the year 1803, accompanied by his family, Isaac Simpson came to Licking County and settled in Bowling Green Township, whence in the fall of 1807 he came to Hanover Township. So poor in purse was he at the time of coming to this state that fifty cents represented his entire capital, but he was rich in courage, in determination and in energy, so that in time he gained a large degree of success. Though poor himself when he came here, he was a member of a wealthy Virginian family, and his father was a prosperous farmer of the Old Dominion.

Losing his first wife by death in Hanover Township, Isaac Simpson afterward married Miss Rachel Baker, who was born at Lost River, Hardy County, and was a member of a leading family in that section of Virginia. Seven children were born of this union, of whom three sons and one daughter still survive. The mother, after a lingering illness, departed this life, having been tenderly cared for during her declining years by our subject, who with the true filial spirit surrounded her in sickness with every comfort and bore all the expenses incident to burial.

The early years of our subject were spent on his father's farm. He attended the subscription schools, but his education was received principally by private instruction from his father, and later by reading and observation. He commenced to learn the trade of a blacksmith, but never completed his apprenticeship. His time prior to the war was devoted to clearing the land and engaging in general farm work. For several years he engaged in driving stock across the Alleghanies. When about twenty-two he became a member of Levi Claypool's family, with whom he remained for sixteen years. Afterward he worked six years in the employ of Norton Claypool, a son of Levi. He was thus employed when he decided to enlist for service in the Civil War.

November 10, 1861, Mr. Simpson enlisted as a member of Company B, Seventy-eighth Ohio Infantry, being then about forty-five years old. With his regiment he participated in battles, sieges and marches for fifteen months, when he was prostrated by disease and finally was discharged from service. As a partial recompense for disability incurred in the army and in recognition of his faithful services, he receives a pension of $16 per month. Although physically unable to engage in any business or perform any kind of labor, he receives only about

one-half the pension allowed by law for such disability. Since his discharge he has never been able to perform ordinary manual labor, and now in his seventy-seventh year does not claim a much longer lease of life. For the past four years he has made his home with a family in Toboso. He has no relatives living except two brothers, Jonathan, in his eightieth year, and Aaron, sixty-seven years old, and a sister, Mrs. Mahala Parsons, who lives in Indiana.

Socially, Mr. Simpson is closely identified with Lemert Post No. 71, G. A. R., at Newark. Politically he was an old-line Whig as long as the party existed, and since that time he has affiliated with the Republicans. Though not connected with any religious organization, he believes in the inspiration of the Scriptures and the divinity of Jesus. As one who sacrificed his health for the preservation of the Union, he is entitled to the respect of all patriotic citizens, whatever their political belief.

GEORGE M. CHAPPELEAR. The village of Gratiot contains among its representative citizens no gentleman who takes a warmer interest in its progress or aids in a higher degree the development of its material resources than he whose name introduces this sketch. Born in Muskingum County, this state, August 18, 1854, he is the son of Allytt W. and Elizabeth (Searsh) Chappelear. His father was born in Culpeper County, Va., in 1812, and his mother in Hopewell Township, Muskingum County, Ohio, in 1818, and they were married in Muskingum County, August 31, 1837.

Ten children comprised the family of A. W. Chappelear, of whom the eldest, William A., was a soldier during the late war. Shortly after his return from service he was united in marriage, May 19, 1864, with Miss Margaret McMullen. He now conducts agricultural pursuits and also follows the occupation of an undertaker. Samantha, who married Barton Ewers, February 28, 1867, is now a resident of Muskingum County, Ohio. Margaret A. died in childhood. Isaiah, who was born August 7, 1844, died March 3, 1892, from the effects of disease contracted in the army. He married Elizabeth Howard, who survives him, being a resident of Indiana. Howard, whose birth occurred February 19, 1847, and who is now a carpenter of Gratiot, married Mary E. Tucker and they have six children. Elizabeth R. died in girlhood. Martha Ann, born December 28, 1851, is the wife of J. H. Smart, a carpenter of Newark. Our subject is the next in order of birth. Ella J., born March 20, 1857, married G. W. Lake, of Gratiot, and they have two children. Mary L., the youngest, died in infancy.

About 1815 A. W. Chappelear accompanied his parents to Ohio and settled with them in Morgan County, where they remained until death. His occupation was that of a carpenter, which he followed throughout his entire life. Even when advanced in years he retained to a large degree the physical strength and mental vigor of youth. When seventy years of age he framed a large barn and with such precision was the work done that every piece fitted in its place as perfectly as was possible. His death occurred in Gratiot, October 28, 1888, and his wife died April 3, 1892, both at an advanced age.

In boyhood the subject of this sketch learned the trade of a blacksmith, which he still follows, in connection with the management of a general repair shop. December 23, 1880, he was united in marriage with Miss Mary A., daughter of John and Amaretta (Cool) Lawyer, and a native of Muskingum County. Mrs. Chappelear received in girlhood an excellent education and was a teacher for some time prior to her marriage. Two children bless the union, Louada and Clyde Everett, now (1894) twelve and five years of age respectively.

Socially Mr. Chappelear is identified with Jackson Lodge No. 85, A. F. & A. M., in which he is serving his third year as Secretary. He is also a member of Horican Lodge No. 192, I. O. O. F., and is the Noble Grand elect for the term of July, 1894, to January, 1895. In both lodges he has

also served in various other capacities, and is active and earnest in the support of their principles. Three of his brothers served during the late Rebellion and he would have showed his loyalty in the same way but for his youth. Politically he is a Democrat, to which party all the members of the family have given their allegiance. His wife has been a consistent and worthy member of the Methodist Episcopal Church since her twelfth year, and he is in hearty accord with the church and its teachings, although not identified with any denomination.

JOHN W. L. MOTHERSPAW. The valuable farm owned and cultivated by this gentleman is the embodiment of perfection in a country home. A commodious house adorns a most beautiful building site. Several large barns afford space for storing grain and fodder, as well as comfortable winter quarters for the stock. About the entire place prevails an air of thrift and prosperity. The estate consists of two hundred acres of excellent land, mostly in the bottom and hence more easily operated, as well as much more fertile than hilly lands.

Born July 10, 1864, our subject is still on the sunny side of life. He is a native of Franklin Township, Licking County, as were also his parents, Samuel and Mary Ann (Swisher) Motherspaw, the former having been born in 1825, and the latter in 1830. He is the only son and has five sisters, of whom three survive, viz.: Sarah, who married Harvey Cooperider, of Franklin Township, becoming by that union the mother of three sons, Oren E., Homer A. and Edgar (deceased); Nora E., Mrs. J. M. Dusthimer, of Franklin Township, who has two children, Samuel L. and Mary Alta; and Sevilla, who married Samuel J. Parr, of Franklin Township, and has four children, Bessie, William C. (deceased), Orville J. and Maude. Emma V. died at about the age of sixteen years, and Louisa passed away in early youth.

Among the farmers of Franklin Township, Samuel Motherspaw occupied a prominent position, and here, where his entire life was spent, well and favorably known in social and political circles. His death, August 28, 1889, was regretted by a large circle of friends. His wife preceded him in death ten days, passing away on the 18th of August, 1889. Thus was the family and community bereft of two worthy people within a brief space of ten days, and their sudden demise was mourned by all who knew them.

The subject of this sketch is a progressive and prosperous young man, whose lot in life has fallen in pleasant places. He inherited a valuable property, to which by industry and economy he will doubtless add in the future. In the common schools of Franklin Township he acquired a fair education, and now, through systematic reading, keeps himself well posted on current events of importance. September 3, 1885, he married Phœbe C., daughter of Hamilton and Phœbe Irwin, natives of Licking County. Her parents now make their home in Franklin Township, where her father is a representative farmer.

In the family of Mr. and Mrs. Irwin there were five sons and three daughters. Washington, the eldest son, and now a well-to-do farmer of Wilson County, Kan., married Martha I. Osborn, and they have one daughter, Alice. Rachel V., the wife of J. S. Courson, of Franklin Township, has two sons, Howard and Herbert. John S. died while serving as a soldier in the Union army during the Civil War. Jacob LeRoy also died in the army. Cordelia A., wife of T. R. Wilson, resides in Newark and has six children. Henry C. married Emma Moore and they have one child, Ivy; at present he is engaged in agricultural pursuits in Franklin Township; Alice died in childhood. R. F., a merchant of Kansas, is married and has two children, Thessie and Darl. Mrs. Motherspaw is the youngest child of her parents, and by her marriage has become the mother of two children, Harlan Earle and Carl C., the elder seven and the younger four years old.

Throughout the county Mr. Motherspaw is well known as an extensive breeder of fine stock, especially thoroughbred Jersey cattle. He has a fine herd of cows and calves, of which he may well be proud. The butter which he sells com-

mands the highest market prices, and he also sells the surplus of his herd at good figures. As a stock-raiser he combines excellent judgment with shrewd business discernment, and although engaged in this department of agriculture but a short time, he has already gained prominence by reason of his keenness, tact, energy and sound common sense.

LEVI KNOWLTON. For many years one of the successful merchants of Utica, this gentleman now devotes his attention to the management of his four finely improved farms and to his duties as senior member of the real-estate firm of Knowlton & Alsdorf. His connection with the latter enterprise covers a period of more than twenty years, during which time he has platted several additions to the city. As a shrewd and capable business man he has not only secured his own success, but has also contributed to the welfare of the people and the prosperity of the city where he has always made his home.

This sketch would be incomplete were no mention made of Levi W. Knowlton, father of our subject, and for years one of Licking County's most honored citizens. A farmer's son, he was born in North Adams, Mass., in 1803, and there he grew to manhood. About 1824 he started on foot for the far distant west, as Ohio was then considered. He visited some friends on the way and finally reached his destination, Putnam, now a part of the city of Zanesville, Ohio. There he entered the flour mill owned by his uncle, a Mr. Whipple, in whose employ he served as cooper, engaged in making flour barrels. Later he became shipping clerk for Judge Buckingham, an extensive merchant of the town, and there he was from time to time promoted until he became chief clerk in the establishment.

At Zanesville, Ohio, March 18, 1832, occurred the marriage of Levi W. Knowlton and Miss Amanda Hollister. The latter, who was born in Glastonbury, Conn., in 1800, came to Ohio to keep house for her brother, John Hollister, a widower. For a time she resided in Hanover, Licking County, and there began the first Sabbath-school ever held in the township. Later she removed to Zanesville, where she met and married Mr. Knowlton. After marriage they lived in Zanesville for one year and then removed to Utica, where Mr. Knowlton became a partner in the firm of Hillyer, Warner & Co. One year later he withdrew from the firm and built a store room and embarked in business alone. Until his death, in 1870, he conducted an extensive mercantile trade and also dealt in real estate and grain, manufactured potash, built a railroad station and elevator, and engaged in pork-packing. These various enterprises he conducted in such a manner as to prove the possession of exceptional business qualifications.

A prominent trait in the character of Mr. Knowlton was his loyalty to principle. At all times he had the courage of his convictions, nor did he ever suppress an opinion for policy's sake. Naturally his frankness brought upon him the ill will of those who opposed him in political or moral questions, while on the other hand he always retained the respect of all who knew him and the warm esteem of his more intimate associates. In politics a Whig, he was strongly opposed to slavery and on that account his place of business was egged and his life threatened, but he never swerved from what he considered the pathway of duty and always had the courage to meet an enemy face to face. At the organization of the Republican party he became one of its supporters and continued to advocate its principles until death. For many years he officiated as Mayor of Utica. During the Civil War he belonged to the Union League, which was the only secret society with which he was ever identified. In early life he united with the Congregational Church, but as that denomination was not represented in Utica he became a member of the Presbyterian Church, and for many years served as one of its Elders.

The mother of our subject passed away in 1868, after having had three children, of whom Levi is the eldest. Amanda E., who married Capt. Xenophon Wheeler, died at Chattanooga, Tenn.,

leaving three children. Mary A. is the wife of Henry Baker and resides on a farm in Livingston County, Mo. The only son in the family, our subject, was educated by private tutors and was also a student in the college at Oberlin, Ohio. Early gaining a thorough business education while assisting his father in the store, in 1858 he became a partner in the business, the firm name becoming L. W. Knowlton & Son. At the death of his father he became sole proprietor of the business and so continued until March, 1889, when he relinquished the active management of the establishment. It is now conducted under the firm name of A. W. Nicholas & Co.

A stanch Republican in politics, Mr. Knowlton was Mayor of Utica for a number of years and at present is a member of the City Council. He was nominated by his party for the Legislature, but was defeated with the balance of the ticket. During the late war he enlisted as a member of Company 1, One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Ohio Infantry, of which he was Second Lieutenant, his brother-in-law, Xenophon Wheeler, being Captain. He took part in the capture of Cumberland Gap and also participated in many skirmishes. At the expiration of his period of service he was mustered out, in March, 1864, at Cleveland, Ohio. At present he is serving as Past Commander and Chaplain of Channel Post No. 188, G. A. R.

May 13, 1861, Mr. Knowlton was united in marriage with Fannie C., daughter of William and Sarah (Reed) Alsdorf. Two children blessed the union, of whom the only son, Arthur, died in October, 1880, aged eighteen years. Mary E. is the wife of Willard R. Kimball.

The Knowlton and Alsdorf families have preserved the records of their ancestry more than three hundred years. We find their names in the Colonial history as participants in the stirring events of the early settlements of New England and New York. The home of the Knowltons was in Shrewsbury, Mass., that of the Hollisters in Glastonbury, Conn., and that of the Alsdorfs in the Mohawk Valley and along the Hudson. The three families were noted as revolutionists. They joined the Republic and opposed the Mother Country, giving no small assistance in the formation of a new government, to the principles of which they have since been intensely loyal. As a matter of interest we give in brief the genealogical lines of descent: Capt. William Knowlton, navigator, died at sea in 1633; Thomas, born in 1622, died in 1692; Thomas, born in 1643, died in 1717; Thomas, born in 1670, died in 1740; Abraham, born April 30, 1703, died in 1767; Paul, born April 17, 1736, died June 27, 1799; Paul, born October 23, 1770; died August 31, 1847; Levi W., born June 11, 1803, died September 18, 1870; Levi, born May 2, 1834; Arthur, born August 6, 1862, died October 27, 1880.

Below we give the genealogical history of the Hollister family: Lieut. John Hollister, born in England in 1612, emigrated to Connecticut in 1642, and died in April, 1665; John, born in 1644, married Sarah Goodrich November 20, 1667, and died in Glastonbury November 24, 1711; Thomas, born January 14, 1672, married Dorothy Hill and died in Glastonbury October 12, 1741; Josiah, born June 7, 1696, married Martha Miller January 18, 1718, and died in Glastonbury July 12, 1777; Elijah, born in May, 1729, married Mehitable Judd October 1, 1752, who died in her twenty-sixth year; afterward he married Mary Pratt and died in Glastonbury January 10, 1785. John, son of Elijah and Mehitable (Judd) Hollister, was born February 2, 1756, and December 6, 1781, married Mary Welles, daughter of William Welles, of Glastonbury; he died on the 27th of February, 1835. Amanda, tenth child of John and Mary (Welles) Hollister, born in Glastonbury, Conn., January 24, 1800, married Levi Whipple Knowlton at Putnam, Ohio, March 18, 1832, and died in Utica, Ohio, October 25, 1868. Her mother, Mary, the daughter of William Welles, who was the son of Hon. Thomas Welles, the latter being a son of Capt. Samuel Welles. The father of the last-named, Samuel, was born in Essex County, England, in 1630, and was the son of Gov. Thomas Welles, who arrived with his family from England in 1636, was Governor of Connecticut in 1655, also in 1658, and died in office January 14, 1660. The homes of this branch of the Welles family have been in and near Glastonbury, in the Connecticut River Valley.

The following is a brief outline of the genealogy

of the Alsdorf family: Lawrence Alsdorf, an emigrant to America about the year 1760, from the north of Germany, near Holland, was a soldier in the Revolutionary War and served under General Washington. He settled in the Mohawk Valley in the vicinity of Schenectedy, passed his life in the counties of Saratoga and Schenectady and died there, leaving two sons, named Sylvester and Seaman. Sylvester Alsdorf, eldest son of Lawrence, was born near Schenectady, N. Y., and there died. His family consisted of four sons and three daughters. He was a soldier in the War of 1812.

William Alsdorf, third son of Sylvester, was born in Saratoga County, N. Y., in the year 1814, and there in 1836 married Sarah Reed, who was born in Donegal, Ireland, in 1815, and emigrated to America in 1833. They removed to Licking County, Ohio, and settled near Utica in the year 1839. Their present home is in Utica. They are the parents of four sons and three daughters. Fannie Catherine Knowlton, eldest daughter of William and Sarah Alsdorf, was born April 13, 1842, and became the wife of Levi Knowlton May 13, 1861.

THOMAS S. O'BANNON. Few among the residents of Licking County have made their homes here for so long a period as has the honored gentleman whose name introduces this sketch. He was born in Madison Township November 16, 1817, and here he has since resided, the witness of the many improvements that have been wrought in this locality during the past seventy years. His life occupation has been that of farming, but now, having accumulated a competence, he lives somewhat retired from active labor, the home farm being operated by his son Charles.

The history of the O'Bannon family in Ohio dates back to the year 1803, when the paternal grandfather of our subject purchased five hundred acres of the rich bottom lands on the Licking River, the finest agricultural region in the state. On coming to this state his sole possession was a copy of the Life of Washington, a volume given him from the home library in Virginia. The first representative of the family in America was our subject's great-grandfather, an Irishman by birth, who settled in the Old Dominion in Colonial times.

The father of our subject, William O'Bannon, was twenty years of age when, in 1803, he settled in Madison Township. About the same time he married Miss Margaret Seymour, a friend of his childhood, who came to Ohio with her parents. Of their children we note the following: Patsy was born May 28, 1804; Catherine, December 1, 1805; Presley, November 6, 1807; Elizabeth, March 7, 1809; Mary, November 6, 1810; William, March 14, 1813; Susan D., February 11, 1815; Joseph, in 1816; Thomas S., in 1817; George and James R. (twins), January 25, 1819; and John, September 6, 1825. Of this family only two now survive, our subject and his sister Mary. The latter is the widow of Adam Seymour, and lives with her children near St. Louisville, this county. The second wife of our subject's father was Mary O. Burnum, whom he married when our subject was nine years old.

The death of William O'Bannon occurred in 1856. We copy the following from the Newark *Advocate* in relation to his demise: "Died, on Thursday, January 8, at his residence in Madison Township, this county, William O'Bannon, Sr., in the seventy-fifth year of his age. Judge O'Bannon was born in Hardy County, Va., December 23, 1782, and immigrated to this state and settled in Madison Township, Licking County, in 1803. He was a man of sound judgment and indomitable energy, and by his industry and foresight accumulated a large fortune. He was a strictly just and upright man. In all his business transactions with the people for a period of more than half a century he was never guilty of an unfair, dishonest or dishonorable act."

December 6, 1842, our subject married Mary J. Maholm, who was born in Salem, Ohio, April 21, 1820. Four sons were born to this union. James, whose birth occurred at midnight on the last day of the year 1847, is now a resident of Los Angeles, Cal.; Henry Clinton, who was born March 8,

1851, lives in Fairmount, Cal., where he operates a stage line. George was born February 27, 1854, and died at the parental home February 15, 1870. Charles, who was born August 13, 1857, now operates the home farm. He married Miss Annie Montgomery, and they are both consistent members of the Presbyterian Church.

Since 1859 Mr. O'Bannon has made his home on the farm where he still resides. He assisted in the organization of the Republican party in Licking County and has ever since supported its principles, though he has never cared for office, preferring to devote his attention to the cultivation of his farm. He is a genial gentleman, well informed on the topics of the day, and has been a useful citizen during his long life in this county.

JOHN W. LAKE, a prominent and representative farmer of Madison Township, is a Virginian by birth and was born in Fauquier County, October 20, 1833. His parents, John J. and Mary (Casey) Lake, were natives of the Old Dominion and both died in Hampshire County, the former in September, 1861, and the latter surviving him about fifteen years. The father was an extensive land owner and operated his plantation with slave labor, which was the only means of tilling the soil until the Emancipation Proclamation liberated the slaves. During the war the family suffered considerable loss of property, aside from the liberation of their slaves (about twenty in number), the loss being largely in stock, grain and injury to trees and buildings.

There were eight children in the parental family, of whom our subject was the third. Mary died in young womanhood. Anna Maria, the widow of Charles G. Slemaker, lives in Sistersville, Tyler County, W. Va. Minerva, the widow of Jacob A. Marker, resides in Alaska, W. Va. Enoch B., with his family, has resided in Licking County, Ohio, for about twenty years. Elvira married Hiram Baker, who owns a portion of the old homestead and resides in Mineral County, W. Va.; they have five children. Rebecca L., who married Mason T. Moore, lives in Perry County, Ohio. Edward died when a young man.

In the private schools of Virginia our subject received a fair education. In the spring of 1858 he came to Ohio and settled in Hanover Township, Licking County, where he purchased a farm. This he operated for some years, but in 1878 sold the property and removed to his present beautiful home in Madison Township. December 2, 1856, in this county, he married Miss Harriet, daughter of George and Mary (Davis) Colvin, prominent citizens of Licking County and the owners of the farm where our subject now lives. A portion of this valuable property came to Mrs. Lake by inheritance, and she and her husband own jointly one hundred and eighty-one acres of excellent land, bearing superior improvements and a beautiful residence. Her father, George Colvin, died July 25, 1881, aged seventy-three years, two months and twenty-two days. He had four children, viz.: William D., who died at home as the result of disease contracted while serving his country; Mrs. Lake; Mary Josephine and Martha Louisa, who died in childhood. The parents were early settlers of Muskingum County, later came to Licking County, where they remained until death. They were a worthy couple, and their memory will long be revered by those who knew them.

Mr. and Mrs. Lake have been deeply bereaved in the loss by death of all their children. M. Ella, who was born July 4, 1859, had all the advantages that wealth and social position can afford and became an accomplished, amiable and refined young lady, but it was not decreed that she should remain with her parents as a benediction to their old age; she was called from earth June 14, 1882, when less than twenty-three. Alice I. died April 7, 1869, at the age of four months and fourteen days. William E. passed away April 3, 1876, aged four years, five months and twenty-seven days.

In religious belief Mrs. Lake is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. She is a lady of

culture and superior education, having acquired her training principally in the female seminary at Zanesville, this state. The life occupation of Mr. Lake has been that of a farmer, and in addition to his home place he owns valuable real estate in Columbus, Ohio. A public-spirited citizen, he has the courage of his convictions under all circumstances, and in his ballot is unbiased by party lines.

JOSEPH H. NEWTON. Early in the year 1836, on the 10th of January, Joseph H. Newton was born. His parents, George F. and Eliza Gray Newton, were living at Smithfield, Jefferson County, Ohio, at that time. His father removed to Holmes County, Ohio, when the subject of this sketch was two years old. He acquired a common-school and academic education and at the early age of eighteen left the student's desk for the printer's case. He learned the trade of a printer in the office of the *Holmes County Farmer*, of which paper his father at that time was the owner and proprietor.

Mr. Newton's rise was rapid. When twenty years of age, an age at which most young men are still dependent on their parents, he became the editor of the paper, which was the organ of the Democratic party of Holmes County. A year later he and his brother, David G. Newton, wrote after their names publishers and proprietors.

December 16, 1858, he was married to Miss Anna M. Sproal, a prominent and highly esteemed young lady of Millersburg, Ohio. By this marriage three children were born, two of whom, a son and daughter, died in infancy. The third, his daughter Eliza, is the wife of Andrew H. Pierson, the business manager of the Newark *Advocate*.

In the summer of 1859 Mr. Newton sold his interest in the *Holmes County Farmer* to Judge J. A. Estill. The following year he was appointed Deputy Auditor, his father at that time being the Auditor. The regard and esteem in which Mr. Newton was held by his neighbors was evidenced in 1869, when he was elected Auditor. He took possession of the office in March, 1870, and served two terms. He at that time and afterward held a number of minor positions of trust and responsibility, and was for ten years a member of the Board of Education of Millersburg.

Mr. Newton actively participated in 1869 in the extension of what is now the Cleveland, Akron & Columbus Railroad from Millersburg to Mt. Vernon and Columbus. The road in those days had its terminus at Millersburg, but through his enterprise, coupled with that of prominent citizens of Mt. Vernon interested in the company, it was extended to the state capital. In 1873 he was one of the prime movers in the Dresden branch of this railroad, the completion of which, however, was delayed some years on account of the financial panic of that year. During the period from 1870 to 1875 he was engaged in the coal and coal-land business, the latter portion of which time he had an office in Cleveland. In the spring of 1877 he became occupied with J. A. Caldwell in the publication of local historical works, which engagement continued for nearly three years. During this time Mr. Newton wrote and edited histories of the counties of Clearfield, Jefferson and Venango in Pennsylvania, the four counties of the Pan Handle in West Virginia, and the counties of Belmont and Jefferson in Ohio. Some of these works contained an exhaustive history of that interesting period in western annals, when the Ohio River was the dividing line between the western frontier, settled by the whites, and the trackless wilderness which was the abode of powerful tribes of hostile Indians, the preparation and editing of which required extensive and careful research.

In January, 1880, Mr. Newton became an editorial writer on the *Wheeling Register*, and manager of the weekly edition of the paper. In March of the same year, he severed his connection with the *Wheeling Register* to become editor of the Newark *Advocate*. He was associated with J. A. Caldwell in the purchase of the *Advocate*, and on the 10th of March of that year the first number of the paper was issued under their ownership. Un-

der the aggressive management of Mr. Newton the *Advocate* at once sprang to a position of prominence and importance. It became in two short years a recognized power, not only in county, but in state politics. The paper is in every respect a Democratic organ. The principles of Jefferson's party are vigorously supported, and its uncompromising stand for Democratic doctrine at all times has earned for it a well deserved place among the foremost Democratic papers of the state. Whatever principle, measure or act possesses the virtue of Democracy is sure to find in the Newark *Advocate* a fearless champion. It is not difficult to ascertain the man to whom the paper is indebted for its present influence and power. It is Mr. Newton. He is careful to keep the *Advocate* free and clear from all factional differences that may arise in his party, and regarding political policy his favorite expressions are that he "tries to publish a paper for all the Democrats" and one devoted to "giving reasons why an American citizen should be a Democrat." A practical printer, understanding perfectly the essentials of a good paper, he brought to his new venture extensive and valuable experience. The possessor of a vigorous style, his editorial utterances are models of pure, concise, forcible English.

Two years after he took charge of the *Advocate*, the *Daily Advocate* was started by him. The *Daily Advocate* was a big venture when we consider the time at which its publication was begun. In Ohio only the cities of Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati, Steubenville and Dayton had Democratic daily papers. In cities the size of Newark and much larger, no Democratic daily then flourished. Perhaps no instance could be furnished better illustrating the enterprise of Mr. Newton than the fact that the *Daily Advocate* was commenced at such a time, and the success that it achieved is owing, no one will deny, to the energy and push of its founder. For a number of years after it was started the Newark *Daily Advocate* was the largest Democratic daily paper published in any city the size of Newark in this state. Conservative in its estimates of men and of doctrines, fearless in its advocacy after decision is once made, always guarding zealously the good name of the paper, and never opening its columns to any matter which would bring the paper into disrepute or the blush to any cheek, it is to-day pointed to with pride by every intelligent citizen of Newark, irrespective of party. A sound business policy, closely adhered to, has kept it free from shoals, and it is sailing smoothly on prosperous waves.

In the spring of 1883, Mr. Caldwell retired from the *Advocate*. At that time Mr. Newton undertook to organize a company, and the result of his efforts was the incorporation of the *Advocate* Printing Company, Mr. Newton remaining the editor of the paper, and Andrew H. Pierson becoming its business manager. The *Advocate's* field of usefulness immediately widened. Those who were fortunate enough to join with Mr. Newton in the enterprise have never regretted it. The company is the owner of the best equipped plant in central Ohio, and is doing a large and lucrative business. But the *Advocate's* success, great as it is, need afford no subject of amazement. The paper is but a strong reflection of the personality of the man who himself has made life a success, and who to-day controls and directs the course of the paper.

Mr. Newton, aside from his public work, is a great admirer of Izaak Walton, and an enthusiastic angler. His fondness for this sport and his knowledge of fish culture received recognition from Gov. James E. Campbell, who in March, 1890, appointed him a member of the State Board of Fish and Game Commissioners. This appointment came entirely unsolicited, and it was celebrated by his friends, who appreciated the appointment in a becoming manner. They arranged a banquet in honor of the appointee at the Tubbs House, which was attended by all of the prominent citizens of Newark, who assisted in making merry an evening of rare pleasure. He served four years on the Board, and was then compelled to resign on account of numerous other duties, which made it impossible for him to give the position proper attention.

On June 19, 1893, Mr. Newton's eminent services for the cause of Democratic doctrine in the county and throughout the state received suitable recognition at the hands of President Cleveland. He was appointed Postmaster of the city of New-

ark. On the 1st of July of the same year, he took charge of the office and is still serving in this position. The appointment of Mr. Newton to this prominent position is a well merited compliment to the able and unfaltering support he has always given to Democratic principles. The fact that it met with the approbation and unstinted praise of the entire community added not a little to the pleasure of receiving the appointment, and testified to the wisdom displayed in the selection.

Mr. Newton still directs from the editorial tripod the course of his excellent paper. The *Advocate* is an important factor in state politics, and its influence is rapidly increasing, a fact which is gratifying not only to the people of Newark, but also to its editor and helmsman, Joseph H. Newton, to whom all credit is due.

WILLIAM P. NEIBARGER has known no other home than Madison Township, and here he was born January 5, 1846. The farm which he owns and operates consists of one hundred and seventeen acres, largely devoted to the raising of stock and grain, although Mr. Neibarger is also giving considerable attention to the cultivation of small fruits with a view to adding to the family revenue thereby. From his youth he has been engaged in agricultural pursuits, and displays a special aptitude for his chosen calling, in which he has achieved noteworthy success.

The Neibarger family is of German and English extraction and was represented in Virginia for several generations prior to its settlement in Ohio. The parents of our subject, William and Mary (Teho) Neibarger, were natives of the Old Dominion, but came to Licking County with their respective parents when quite young. Here they were married and this was their home throughout their entire wedded lives. The mother was the first to pass to the beyond, her death occurring in November, 1868. The father survived her for some years and passed away December 21, 1880.

There were born to William and Mary Neibarger three sons and one daughter. Calvin married Miss Jane Smith and resides in Kansas, being a dentist in Hutchinson. Albert first married Miss Margaret, by whom he had three sons and two daughters, his wife dying in Indiana where he then resided. He was later united with Miss Emma Ketchum, and they now live on the old homestead in Madison Township. Angeline became the wife of John Crawford, who is now living in Washington County, Iowa, retired from agricultural work. The family enjoyed good educational advantages, and two of the brothers were teachers for some years.

The early years of our subject were spent under the parental roof, on the old home farm. Establishing home ties, he married Miss Martha A. Wolfe, a native of Franklin Township, Licking County, the ceremony which united their destinies being solemnized November 18, 1870. Her parents, John and Margaret (Crawford) Wolfe, were born and reared in Franklin Township, and there they still reside. Mrs. Neibarger is the eldest of four children. Her sister, Mary Elizabeth, is unmarried and resides with her parents. Albert C. married Miss Alice, daughter of William Beall, a retired farmer residing in Newark; they reside in Madison Township and are the parents of three sons and two daughters, viz.: Leon, Mabel, Stanley, and Cara and Katie (twins). Parker Lee, Mrs. Neibarger's other brother, cultivates the home farm and resides with his parents.

Nine children have been born to the union of Mr. and Mrs. Neibarger, eight of whom are living, namely: Mary, Charles Orville, Henry Curtis, Jennie Florence, Arthur C., Anna, James and Blanche. Horace was drowned in the spring when thirteen months old, having toddled away from his nurse and fallen in the spring. The children have enjoyed the advantages of the excellent public schools of the district, and the second son is now attending Ada (Ohio) College, with a view to fitting himself for professional work.

Mr. Neibarger is active in politics, being a stanch Democrat in principle. He has held various official positions in his township. In religious belief he

and his family are members of the Christian Union Church, and take an active interest in church and Sunday-school work, giving liberally to the support of the Gospel and other religious and charitable enterprises. Mrs. Neibarger is of Scotch-Irish descent, and some of her ancestors were of remote German extraction. Her maternal great-grandfather was a soldier in the Revolutionary War and fought under General Wayne.

ROBERT FULTON, who for many years was actively engaged as an agriculturist, but is now retired from business cares, was born in Berkeley County, Va., March 1, 1819. His parents, Robert and Jane (Latin) Fulton, were natives of Ireland, and were there reared and married. Immediately after their marriage they took passage for America, and landing in this country, proceeded to Virginia and made settlement in Berkeley County. After a few years spent there they came to Licking County, Ohio, in 1825. Here the father engaged to work on the Ohio Canal, which was then in process of construction. He commenced to farm rented property, and being frugal and industrious, he was soon able to make a small payment upon the farm which our subject now owns. As time passed by, he succeeded in completing the payments, and gave his attention to the improvement of the estate. Here his death occurred in 1852. His wife passed away some years later.

There were in the parental family three sons and three daughters, but the only survivors are Robert and Nancy. The latter is the wife of John McMillan, a prosperous farmer, who lives near our subject. William, who was the eldest of the family, settled north of Newark, where he died, and his wife is also deceased. They had a large family, some of whom remain in Licking County, while others have removed west. John M. is the father of J. Willis Fulton, whose sketch appears in this volume. Martha became the wife of Jacob Hartshorn and they died after having had four children.

In the subscription schools of early days, our subject gained a fair knowledge of the common branches, and as he has always been a thoughtful reader and a close observer, he is well informed. December 10, 1844, he married Miss Jane Keeran, a native of Augusta County, Va., born in January, 1820. She came to Licking County in company with her parents, Samuel and Sarah (Lilly) Keeran. To Mr. and Mrs. Fulton three children have been born. The eldest, John Wesley, married Ellen Williams and they have two children, Harry and Robert; they reside upon the old homestead. William L. married Julia Glick, and they have had six children, one of whom is deceased; they reside in McPherson County, Kan., where he is a farmer and stock-raiser. Martha J. is the wife of O. B. Young, and has three daughters, Laura, Helen and Hazel.

Having accumulated valuable possessions, Mr. Fulton is surrounded by all the comforts of life and his declining years are provided against want. His success is due to his enterprise, thrift and excellent judgment, and he well deserves the prosperity that has come to him. He is a man of sincere Christian belief, and his life has exemplified the earnestness of his religious belief. He has maintained an active interest in county, state and national affairs, and usually casts his ballot with the Democratic party, though at times, especially in local affairs, he votes with the opposite party when he believes the interests of the people will thereby be best subserved.

EDWIN R. CORNELL resides in St. Alban's Township, on the farm where his birth occurred, July 28, 1821. He is a member of a pioneer family of Licking County and a grandson of Gideon Cornell, one of the early settlers of

Granville. The latter was a silversmith by trade and came west to Ohio in 1805, settling in Granville, where his death occurred one year later. His family numbered the following children: Gideon, for many years an agriculturist of St. Alban's Township, and who died in this county; Isaac, who removed to Texas; Sylvanus, who located at Alexandria and there died; Archibald, father of our subject; Naomi, who married Judge Holmes, and died in Marion, Ohio; Mrs. Charlotte Stewart, who died in Zanesville, this state; Mercy, wife of Rev. Samuel Carpenter; and Ruth, who married and is now deceased.

The father of our subject was born in Connecticut, near the city of New London, and accompanied the family to Ohio, where he became one of Licking County's agriculturists. When eighteen years old he owned land where Denison University now stands, but this he sold and purchased property in St. Alban's Township. This tract was heavily timbered and was almost destitute of improvements except a rude log cabin. Here he commenced life for himself, and in the cultivation of the place, through industry and energy, he gained a competence. He married Sarah Peck, a native of Nova Scotia, who came to Johnstown, Ohio, at the age of eighteen years. She was a devoted member of the Methodist Church, while Mr. Cornell was liberal in his religious views, not being connected with any denomination.

Politically Archibald Cornell was an unswerving adherent of the Democratic party, and was influential in its ranks. For some time he served as as Commissioner of Licking County. He took an active part in the War of 1812, fighting in defense of the liberty of our country. His children were: Edwin R.; Helen, who married Abner Woods and resides in St. Alban's Township; Bertrand, who went to Oregon and died in Portland; Cecelia, who married Jonathan Hivey and died in Monroe Township; and Wilhelmina, who died in St. Alban's Township.

Upon the home farm the subject of this sketch was reared to manhood, alternating attendance at school with work on the home place. After conducting his studies in Evansville College he engaged in teaching school, being thus employed for seven winters. At the death of his father he inherited his present property, and now owns nearly two hundred acres, upon which is a fine farm residence. He married a daughter of Joseph Mossman, a native of Ireland. She was born in Coshocton and remained a resident of Licking County from the time of her marriage until her death; her body now lies in the cemetery near the old home. Of their children Elizabeth died while attending school; Joseph H. resides with our subject; Nellie married a clothing merchant of Canton; and Cecelia is married and lives in Johnstown.

In national issues a Democrat, Mr. Cornell does not adhere to party in local affairs, voting for the man rather than the political organization. He has served as Township Trustee and in other local offices, being elected on the Democratic ticket, although the township usually gives a Republican majority. In his religious views he is a Universalist.

MATHEW FROST. Among the residents of Fallsbury Township who are gaining a livelihood by the tilling of the soil, we mention the name of Mathew Frost, whose efforts have contributed to the development of the rich farming lands of the county. Born October 19, 1852, he is one of ten children constituting the family of John and Jane (Arnold) Frost, well known residents of Licking County. Besides himself there now survive the following-named sons and daughters: W. H., who lives in Iowa; Lucy A., now Mrs. Aaron Van Winkle, and also a resident of Iowa; Nellus, residing in the Hawkeye State; Francis M., whose home is in Licking County; Mrs. Sarah J. Miller, of Licking County; and Mary A., now Mrs. Rogers, of Putnam County, Ohio.

Acquiring a limited education in the common schools, and at the same time gaining a thorough knowledge of agriculture on the home farm, our subject grew to a sturdy manhood. Estab-

lishing home ties, he married Mary J., daughter of Nathan and Jemimah Nethers, natives of Virginia, but early settlers of Ohio. She was one of ten children, of whom besides herself the following are now living: John W., a resident of Muskingum County; Mrs. Catherine Horr; George W., of Licking County; Andrew J., also a resident of this county; Lloyd, whose home is in Knox County; and Jasper E., of Licking County.

Mr. and Mrs. Frost have two children, Elvie J. and John W., both of whom are attending school. While not a politician in the ordinary usage of that term, Mr. Frost may always be relied upon to use his influence and cast his ballot for the Republican party, believing its principles conducive to the highest good of the country. He and his wife are connected with the Primitive Baptist Church, and are among the highly respected residents of their community.

HENRY S. BEIDLER dates his residence in Licking County from the year 1858 and his connection with the mercantile interests of Johnstown from 1879. He was born in Fayette County, Pa., July 11, 1832, being a son of Joseph and Mary (Shellenberger) Beidler. Reared to manhood upon a farm, he was the recipient of a good business education in the common and select schools. Upon attaining his majority he came to Ohio and for a time taught school in Lawrence County. On his return to the Keystone State he was similarly engaged in Fayette County.

In 1855 Mr. Beidler again came to Ohio and soon afterward married Miss Sarah, daughter of Samuel Pile and a native of Fayette County, Pa., but at the time of her marriage a resident of Licking County, Ohio. Prior to his marriage he had become interested in a general store in Pennsylvania, and this he continued to operate until 1858, when he removed to Ohio and accepted a position as station agent for the Toledo & Ohio Central Railroad at Kirkersville. On the 19th of April, 1861, he enlisted in the Union army for a period of three months. His name was enrolled as a member of Company A, Third Ohio Infantry, in which regiment he served until August of the same year.

Again enlisting in the army, Mr. Beidler became a member of Company C, Seventy-sixth Ohio Infantry, for a period of three years. On the 22d of June, 1863, he was commissioned Second Lieutenant of the Fifty-first United States Colored Infantry. In July of the following year he was promoted to First Lieutenant, and resigned in February, 1866. Among the engagements in which he participated were those of Ft. Donelson, Shiloh, siege of Corinth, Sherman's attack on Chickasaw Bayou, Arkansas Post, Jackson, siege of Vicksburg, Ft. Blakeley and Mobile Bay, besides numerous marches and skirmishes.

At the close of the war Mr. Beidler returned to the Buckeye State and became a clerk in a store, continuing in that capacity until 1879, when he engaged in business for himself. He has erected a store building and residence, and has in other ways contributed to the progress of Johnstown. He was one of the organizers and the Vice-President of the Johnstown Building & Loan Association. He and his wife became the parents of four children, of whom two survive, Belle, wife of Charles Avery, and Ida May, at home with her parents.

Politically Mr. Beidler is a Republican, holding that the doctrines of that party are most suited to the growth and advancement of this great country. His first Presidential ballot was cast for John C. Fremont in 1856. In a number of honored offices he has rendered efficient service, having been Mayor of the village, member of the Council, Treasurer of the town and President of the Board of Education. Socially he is a member of Johnstown Lodge No. 422, I. O. O. F., and is Past Commander of the Ira P. French Post, G. A. R. During the administration of President Hayes he served as Postmaster of the village.

The Beidler family was long identified with the history of Pennsylvania, and the father always

lived in the locality of his birth, dying there at the age of seventy-six years. His first wife died at the age of twenty-nine, leaving two children, Henry S., of this sketch, and John, who died in Pennsylvania. The father was a second time married, becoming by that union the parent of six children, namely: William, Peter, Ann, Amanda, Catherine and Jesse.

WILLIAM B. CHAMBERS, D. D. S., enjoys the distinction of being, in point of years of practice, the oldest dentist in Newark, his residence in this city dating from the year 1866. The son of Joseph H. and Rebecca (Beall) Chambers, he was born in Marshall County, W. Va., August 8, 1839. His paternal grandfather, James H., was born in the North of Ireland, there grew to manhood, married and engaged in the manufacture of linens. Emigrating to the United States, he sojourned for a time upon a farm in Lancaster County, Pa., whence he removed to Pittsburg and engaged in the boot and shoe business. In 1817 he removed to that part of the Old Dominion now included in West Virginia and there he continued to reside until the time of his death. At the age of seventy-eight he was killed by the kick of a horse.

In Grandfather Chambers' family there were four sons and two daughters, viz.: James, John, Samuel, Joseph H., Mrs. Jane Patterson, and Isabella, who married Robert Hay, of Pittsburg. Of these children Joseph H. was reared a farmer and manufacturer. After his marriage, which took place in West Virginia, he resided near Wheeling until his demise, at the age of eighty-five. His wife passed away when seventy-eight. In religious connections they were identified with the Presbyterian Church. Eight children comprised their family, of whom the following survive: James, a farmer and builder of West Alexandria, Washington County, Pa.; John, a resident of Washington, Pa., who is a dealer in supplies for oil wells; Joseph, a farmer of Ohio County, W. Va., and William B., of this sketch.

Upon the home farm our subject was reared to manhood, but he never tilled the soil, as his time in youth was spent in the school-room. After completing the studies of the common schools, he attended the West Alexandria Academy, under the tutelage of Rev. William H. Lester, and later was a student in the Pennsylvania Dental and the Jefferson College of Pennsylvania. He was graduated from the Pennsylvania Dental College and located at Newark, where he has since followed his profession with success.

The lady who became the wife of Dr. Chambers in 1870 was Miss Augusta, daughter of the late Hon. Isaac Smucker, of Newark. One child was born to them, but it died in infancy.

JOHN P. SWISHER, residing in Union Township, is one of the well-to-do land owners of the county, and at the present time has in his possession between five and six hundred acres located in Licking and Union Townships. Farming and stock-raising have formed his chief occupation, and to these he has mainly devoted his attention, although for a time he engaged in teaching school. A native of Licking County, he was born in Lima Township October 14, 1837. His father, Joseph Swisher, was born in Virginia, and at the age of seventeen years came to Licking County, where he married Dorothy Houser, a native of Fairfield County, Ohio. They lived until advanced in years, then passed away.

In the family there were three sons and four daughters, of whom our subject is the third in order of birth and the eldest of the sons. At the age of seventeen he began to teach school, and for six years thereafter alternated teaching with attendance at school. Since that time he has followed farming exclusively. In Licking County

March 14, 1861, he married Miss Sarah Green, a native of Licking County and daughter of Benjamin Green. After his marriage he settled in Licking Township, but two years later removed to Newark Township, and thence after several years went to Franklin Township, where he made his home for seven years. Returning to Licking Township, he spent three years there and then came to his present home in Union Township.

Mr. and Mrs. Swisher have two children, Carey A., who married Florence Stoolfire; and Mary D., wife of George Stinson. A Democrat in political views, Mr. Swisher has been active in all matters pertaining to the local welfare. For three years he served as Clerk of Franklin Township, and for the same length of time officiated as Trustee of the Union Township. He has held the office of Trustee of the Children's Home for several years. In early manhood he united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, to which he has since belonged, and he has held various official positions in the church. While residing in Newark he was for three years Superintendent of the Sabbath-school of the First Methodist Church.

WILLIAM W. SHANNON.

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WILLIAM W. SHANNON, manager of the Borton Institute, at Newark, was born in Licking County, August 15, 1858, and is a son of Thomas and Elmira (Hoyte) Shannon, also natives of this county and members respectively of Pennsylvania and New York families. As early as 1819 the Shannon family made settlement in this county, at which time the paternal grandfather of our subject located in Madison Township, and afterward continued to make his home here until his death.

A few weeks after the family came to Licking County the household was increased by the birth of a son, who was named Thomas. Upon the home farm he attained manhood, and when the time came for him to choose an occupation he selected that with which he was most familiar, agriculture. To his chosen calling he devoted his energies until June 5, 1891, when his earth life closed. He was a man of considerable prominence among the farmers of Madison Township, but never aspired to office or the distinction of public life, taking no more active part in politics than the casting of his ballot for Democratic principles and candidates. Socially he was a member of New Home Lodge No. 338, A. F. & A. M., at Hanover, Ohio. His wife did not long survive him, but passed away January 15, 1892.

Of the family of four children one is deceased, and the three survivors, Thomas W.; Sarah E., wife of Nathan S. Denman, and William W., reside in Licking County. Our subject, who is the youngest of the number, received an excellent education in the public schools, and for a time followed the profession of a teacher during the winter seasons, while the summers were devoted to farm work. December 1, 1893, he established in Newark the Borton Institute, with the history of which his name is closely associated.

The Borton cure for alcoholism has gained a wide reputation during the past few years. Its name has been received from its originator, Dr. T. A. Borton, a prominent physician of Warsaw, Ind., and the proprietor of the Plymouth Institute at that place. It claims (and practical tests verify this claim) to permanently remove the appetite for alcoholic stimulants of all kinds. Unlike other so-called cures that have been prominently brought

before the public of late years, there are no attending or resulting bad effects of treatment, no permanent injuries to the mental or physical powers, no insanity and no suicides.

Politically a Democrat, Mr. Shannon has held various local offices in Madison Township. Socially he is Past Master of New Home Lodge No. 338, A. F. & A. M.; a member of Warren Chapter No. 6, R. A. M.; Bigelow Council No. 7, R. & S. M.; St. Luke's Commandery No. 34, K. T., and the Newark Lodge No. 13, K. P. He is a companionable, genial gentleman, who enjoys to a high degree the regard of his large circle of acquaintances.

HENRY ELLIS THOMAS is a successful farmer of St. Alban's Township. The Thomas family originated in Wales, and the first representative in this country was David Thomas, who, emigrating to America, settled in Cambria County, Pa., and there married Mary Rees. In 1802 he removed to Ohio, and coming direct to Licking County, settled on the Welsh Hills in Granville Township. There he and his wife spent the remaining years of their lives.

The father of our subject, Samuel Thomas, was born in Cambria County, Pa., in 1799, and accompanied his parents in 1802 to Licking County, where he grew to manhood on the home farm. His marriage occurred in Granville Township, and united him with Catharine Jones, a native of Wales, born in January, 1779. Mrs. Thomas had been orphaned by her mother's death when she was but a young girl, and about 1820 she came with her father to America, soon afterward settling in Granville Township, Licking County. There in 1824 she became the wife of Samuel Thomas.

Settling upon a farm on the Welsh Hills, the parents of our subject continued to live there until about 1835, and then removed to Harrison Township, where the wife and mother died in 1865. The father spent his last days with his daughter, Mrs. Jerusha Avery, in Jersey Township, where he died in July, 1877. His family numbered seven children. The eldest, Jerusha, married George Avery and died in Champaign County, Ill., in 1892. The next in order of birth, Maria, became the wife of William Jones and died in Wisconsin during the '60s. The others are, Henry Ellis; Robert J.; Ann, the widow of Andrew Hicks; Charles R. and Edwin E.

The eldest son in the family, Henry Ellis Thomas, was born on the Welsh Hills in Granville Township, March 31, 1829, and his early years were spent in the immediate vicinity of his birthplace. He was reared to manhood on his father's farm, remaining with him until he attained his majority. In 1850 he accompanied his father to California with the intention of engaging in mining, and after being thus engaged for some eighteen months, returned to Licking County, and has since resided principally in St. Alban's Township.

December 7, 1852, Mr. Thomas was united in marriage with Miss Esther Nichols, who was born in St. Alban's Township, October 4, 1831. Her parents were Levi and Almira (Parker) Nichols, the former born in Weathersfield, Windsor County, Vt., August 25, 1787, and the latter in Massachusetts, October 1, 1795. They were married in the Green Mountain State, whence in 1820, with their two children, they journeyed in a wagon drawn by oxen to Licking County, settling in St. Alban's Township. Here the father passed away January 18, 1871; the mother survived him a few years, departing this life June 16, 1877. They were the parents of ten children, of whom eight attained years of maturity, viz.: Sallie, Levi, Almira, Frederick, Lydia, Esther, Caroline and Mary. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas has been blessed by the birth of three children, namely: Rosa M., wife of Charles Gallant; Judson E., who died in 1882, at the age of nineteen years, and M. Katharine.

The landed possessions of Mr. Thomas include one hundred and twenty-four acres, and he is also the owner of a fine residence. For more than twenty years he has filled the office of Trustee of St. Alban's Township, and he also takes a commendable interest in educational matters. In 1848 he united with the Wesleyan Methodist Church of

Harrison, being one of its first members. Since that time he has always been officially connected with the congregation, of which he is now one of the leading and active members. He carries his religious principles with him into the practical duties of everyday life, thus proving the sincerity of his belief. He is a man who has the regard of all his associates and the respect of all with whom business or social relations bring him into contact.

REV. EDWARD I. JONES, pastor of the Plymouth Congregational Church of Newark, was born in Wales in August, 1834, to Isaac and Gwenllyan Jones. The family emigrated to the United States in 1839 and settled in Gallia County, Ohio, where the parents died, the father when sixty and the mother at the age of ninety-five. In his native land the father had followed the occupation of a cooper, but after coming to Ohio he engaged in farming pursuits.

In early life Isaac Jones was a member of the Church of England, but after coming to the United States he joined the Congregational Church, of which his wife was long a devoted member and in the faith of which both passed from earth. He was a poor man when he came to this country, but being industrious and energetic, he became well-to-do, and in his declining years enjoyed all the comforts of life. He had two brothers and two sisters, namely: John, a prominent farmer of Gallia County, who founded a Congregational Church there; Daniel, who died soon after coming to the United States; Jane, who married Evan Jones and lived in Gallia County, and Nancy, Mrs. John L. Davis, who died soon after coming to this country.

There were in the family of Isaac Jones five children who attained years of maturity. John, a farmer by occupation, was killed at the age of forty-five by a boiler explosion in a sawmill in Gallia County. William, who combined the trade of a stonemason with the calling of a farmer, died in Gallia County at thirty-eight years, leaving several children, some of whom have attained prominence. Thomas, who was also a stonemason and a farmer, died at the age of fifty-six years. The next in order of birth is the subject of this sketch, while the youngest is Daniel, pastor of Storr's Congregational Church at Cincinnati, Ohio.

Alternating attendance at the neighboring schools with work on the farm, Edward I. Jones grew to manhood. At the age of twenty he entered the Ohio University at Athens, and later studied theology in the seminary at Oberlin. In 1858 he entered the Ohio Methodist Episcopal Conference and for twenty years served that denomination at Pomeroy, Zanesville, Newark, Columbus and other places. Wherever he was pastor he was honored and respected by his parishioners and always, with one exception, remained as long as the rules of the denomination would permit.

In the fall of 1878 Mr. Jones returned to Newark, where he founded a Congregational Church. Meetings were at first held in the opera house and city hall, and in the latter place, May 21, 1879, the Plymouth Congregational Church was organized with sixty-eight members, thirty-one by letter and thirty-seven by profession. The congregation continued to worship in the city hall until they entered their own building on North Fourth Street, in December, 1884. The lot and edifice have cost the members about $7,000, and are free from incumbrance. The membership has steadily increased until there are now over four hundred names on the church roll, and there is also a large and interesting Sunday-school. While the pastor has no stipulated salary, he is well supported by the free will offerings of the people. Since accepting the pastorate in 1878, he has attended nine hundred and seventy-three funerals (many of them of poor people) and has performed the ceremony at eight hundred and twelve marriages.

Through reading and travel Mr. Jones has acquired a broad fund of information, and is a ripe scholar and polished gentleman. In 1886 he made a tour of England and Scotland and visited his old home in Wales. Since his return he has frequently delivered lectures concerning his travels, and is also a popular lecturer upon other themes. He is

in sympathy with every reform and upholds every public-spirited measure. In 1856 his first ballot was cast, at which time he supported John C. Fremont, and he advocated the principles of the Republican party until about eight years ago, when he joined the ranks of the Prohibitionists and now votes with that party.

In 1862 Rev. Mr. Jones married Miss Helen, daughter of Dr. James W. Cherrington. She was born in Jackson County, Ohio, and died after having become the mother of three daughters now living. Olive is now librarian at the Ohio State University in Columbus; Helen Grace is a fine musician; Winifred Cherrington is attending school. In March, 1890, Mr. Jones was united in marriage with Miss Cynthia Cherrington, a sister of his former wife, and an estimable lady, who assists her husband in his ministerial labors by her encouragement and helpful counsel.

GEORGE T. GRORE, a farmer residing in Franklin Township, was born in Licking Township, this county, July 28, 1848. He is the son of Benjamin and Susanna (Richardson) Grore, the former born in Licking County, March 27, 1807, and the latter a native of Maryland, born near Hagerstown, February 15, 1815. The paternal grandparents, Martin and Mary Grore, were natives of Virginia, where they were married and all their children were born, excepting Benjamin. In 1806 they came to Lickiug County and entered a tract of two hundred acres. Of this original farm our subject's father inherited one hundred and sixty acres, which he tilled and made his home until the time of his decease. The family is of German ancestry, and was early established on the Old Dominion soil.

Of the brothers and sisters of our subject, we note the following: David was born February 21, 1838, and is a prosperous farmer of Allen County, Ind.; James R., whose birth occurred November 3, 1841, is married and operates a farm in Adams County, Ill.; Martin E., born March 26, 1846, is a farmer of Adams County, Ill.; Mary Ann became the wife of William Boring, and died in Licking County; John U., born January 23, 1852, is a farmer of Franklin Township; Benjamin F., whose birth took place October 20, 1854, lives on a portion of the parental homestead.

In the common schools of the neighborhood our subject conned his lessons in youth, there laying the foundation to which, by culture and reading, he has added. His life work has been that of a farmer, and he also for some years has given considerable attention to the veterinary surgeon business. January 15, 1873, he was united in marriage with Miss Rosa V., daughter of John Armstrong, late of Franklin Township, this county. Her mother was known in maidenhood as Margaret Burner, and was a native of Licking County; she died in 1858. The father died when Mrs. Grore was eleven years old. By his first marriage he had four daughters and one son, all of whom survive excepting one of the sisters. Rachel is the widow of William Anderson and lives in Newark; Maggie married David Cole, a merchant of Newark; James R., the youngest of the family, married Alice Sherrard, and is employed as engineer at the County Infirmary. The second wife of John Armstrong was Margaret Hutzel, who survives him. Three children were born of that union, namely: Stephen A., Edward and Ida M., all of whom reside with their mother in Franklin Township.

Two children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Grore, of whom the elder, William, born October 15, 1873, died at the age of twenty-two months. Lillie M., who was born February 26, 1875, married Joseph Brownfield November 2, 1893, and resides on a farm in Franklin Township. Until about ten years ago our subject tilled the soil of his father's farm. Since coming to his present home he has introduced many improvements, which have greatly enhanced the value of the property. Conspicuous among these improvements is the commodious and conveniently arranged residence, recently erected after a modern style of architecture. It is perfect in its appoint-

ments, and contains every convenience which the most refined taste can suggest. The surroundings are in harmony with the character of the residence, and everything indicates the thrift and excellent management of the owner.

ABRAM FLORY. The life of this honored citizen of Licking County is well worthy of emulation by those who are embarking in business without capital or influential friends. In the truest sense of the word he is self-made, for all of his accumulations have been gained by industry, perseverance, self-denial and the exercise of sound judgment in business transactions. For half a century he has been identified with those who have been instrumental in building up the business interests of Newark, and through that long period his career has been alike honorable and progressive.

The parents of our subject, George and Mary (Hines) Flory, were born near Strasburg, France, and emigrating to the United States, settled in the western part of New York, where they resided upon a farm until advanced in years. They then moved to Williamsville and later to Buffalo, where they purchased property. In that city they died, the father at the age of ninety, and the mother when eighty-seven. Of their six children we note the following: George entered the French army and was killed in a duel; Madeline married a French military officer and is deceased, leaving four children; Anthony, a farmer by occupation, resides in Ottawa, Ill.; Mary died in Buffalo, N. Y., several years ago; our subject is the next in order of birth; Frank, for some years a butcher and liveryman at Ottawa, Ill., went south in 1861, and engaged in the cotton trade until his death in Franklin, Tenn. The father followed the occupation of a farmer throughout his entire life. During the French Wars he was a soldier under Napoleon Bonaparte.

In October, 1822, the subject of this notice was born in Strasburg, France (now a part of the German Empire). In 1830 he was brought by his parents to the United States, and settled with them upon a farm of one hundred and sixty acres situated between Lockport and Buffalo, N. Y. At the age of thirteen he entered school in the latter city, remaining one year and obtaining the nucleus of his business education. He was then apprenticed to Joel Aulberger, a butcher, with whom he remained until nineteen. Going to New York City, he sought employment, but being a stranger without friends, he reluctantly saw his small savings fade away without a prospect of having them replenished. Thinking he might be more fortunate in another city he went to New Orleans, reaching that city with only fifty cents in his possession, and after much mental and physical suffering he found employment as a butcher, his landlord helping him to the situation in order to get his pay for board and lodging due him.

Working faithfully and saving his earnings, Mr. Flory accumulated $95, with which he purchased a meat stall at St. Mary's Market and embarked in business for himself, continuing until the epidemic of yellow fever appeared. He then sold out and went to Vicksburg, where he cut cord wood for steamboats at twenty-five cents per cord, and was obliged to board himself. He soon became dissatisfied with both board and wages, and so went to Louisville, Ky., where he rented a pasture and engaged in buying and selling live stock. Success was his for a time, but unfortunately he was taken ill. As long as his money held out he was given good nursing and attention, but when his funds were exhausted he was advised by his physicians to go farther north.

Going to Cincinnati Mr. Flory found work very scarce there, but happened to meet a man from Columbus in search of a butcher. This gentleman made him a proposition, which he accepted, and going to that city served him about one year. From there he removed to Hebron, Licking County, and entered into partnership with Abram Burner, his cash capital consisting of but $19.50. Soon afterward he purchased his partner's interest and became sole proprietor of the business, which he conducted with success. In 1844, during the cam-

paign, he was told that he could double his money by betting on Henry Clay, but his advisers were wrong, and he lost all. He then borrowed $50 of Thomas Cully for ten days and when that time expired borrowed the money of James Lyons to pay Cully, and then borrowed from Harvey and S. B. Woolson to pay Lyons, in that way preserving his credit.

In 1847 Mr. Flory came to Newark and bought out Wiley Davis. He was prospered and gradually enlarged the business, adding pork packing to the other lines. In 1863 his slaughter house, packing house, ice house and cooper shop were destroyed by fire, and having no insurance, he sustained a total loss. Being in debt for some of his property he was greatly embarrassed, but succeeded in passing through the financial crisis with unimpaired credit. In 1872 he sold a half-interest in the business to George W. Havens, and continued the business under the firm name of Flory & Havens for a number of years, after which the partnership was dissolved. Afterward he engaged in the real-estate business. He platted the Flory Addition to Newark, which is a beautiful residence part of the city.

In 1841 Mr. Flory married Mary Margaret Hartzell, who was born in Alsace, France, accompanied her parents to the United States and settled in Buffalo. She died February 2, 1850, aged thirty years, leaving four children. Mary married Harmon Forry and died in Newark, leaving one son, Cory. Margaret is the wife of Edward Ferguson, of Newark. Catherine first married Charles Andrews, afterward became the wife of Daniel Fuller, and now lives in Buffalo, N. Y. Louise, formerly the wife of George Miller, of Newark, died in 1893.

November 3, 1850, Mr. Flory married Nancy, daughter of John and Leah (Limbarger) Woodard, a native of Licking County, born November 16, 1832. Eight children have blessed the union. William, deceased, was a butcher in Newark; he married Emma Luella Wolf and left two children, Eda and George, now living with their grandparents. Jesse A. is an attorney at Newark. Melissa, the wife of Cyrus B. Wilson, lives in Henry County, Mo. Ida married Spencer Philips, of Newark. Irene is the wife of Ellis Jones, of Newark. Josephine died in infancy. Louis N., who married Minnie Coffman, is proprietor of the planing-mill owned by his father. Josie May married John Ankele and resides in Newark.

Politically, Mr. Flory was in early life an old line Whig and is now a Democrat. He has been a member of the City Council for four years and is foreman of the Street Committee. He is a stockholder in the street railway and has erected a number of business blocks and residences. With his wife he holds membership in the Plymouth Congregational Church. His success may be attributed to the fact that he has always maintained his credit, never evading payment of debt by falsehood or deceit, but always seeking an opportunity of meeting his obligations. Although he has passed the age usually allotted to man, he is hale and hearty, full of business energy, keen perceptive faculties and able to cope with the shrewdest business men. He was the promoter of all that part of the city of Newark lying west of Eighth Street and between Columbia and Raccoon Streets, which is known as Flory's Addition. His name is mentioned among the foremost of those who have been instrumental in building up the business interests of the county for half a century. He further enjoys the distinction of being a self-made man, all of his accumulations being the result of the exercise of sound common sense and untiring industry.

OWEN HICKEY, a retired merchant and farmer residing in his pleasant home near Clay Lick, was born in County Clare, Ireland, fifty-nine years ago. When a small lad he crossed the Atlantic in company with his parents, and arriving in the United States, resided in New York City for a number of years. Thence, when a youth in his teens, he came to Ohio and settled in Licking County. Until six years ago his home was in Hanover Township, and in partnership with his brother Edward he owned and carried on a

general mercantile store at Black Hand, opening the establishment about the time of the outbreak of the Rebellion, and continuing thus engaged until about 1885. As a business man he was keen, sagacious, intelligent and upright in all transactions, and he won and retained the confidence of the people of the village and surrounding country. Through good management and frugality he accumulated a competence wherewith to smooth the pathway of his declining years, and enable him to spend the twilight of his life undisturbed by financial worries and perplexities.

The lady whose marriage to Mr. Hickey was solemnized in this county, and who has since been his faithful helpmate, bore the maiden name of Lizzie Dundan, and, like himself, was born of Irish parentage, her father and mother, James and Susanna (Crampton) Dundan, having been born in the Emerald Isle. She, however, was born in Licking County, to which place her parents emigrated soon after their marriage in Ireland. Settling upon a farm here, they continued to make this county their home until they died. Mrs. Hickey was the eldest member of the family, the others being, James, Jr., who is unmarried and lives in Columbus, Ohio; and Mary, who resides with Mrs. Hickey. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Hickey has been blessed by the birth of five children, all living at home, and named as follows: Thomas, Edward, Frank, William and Agnes.

Mr. Hickey cast his first Presidential ballot for Abraham Lincoln in 1860, but since that time he has been independent in politics, always voting his convictions as represented by the principles of either party. He is loyal to his friends, and in county and state politics votes for men rather than measures. In religious matters, Mr. Hickey was reared in the Roman Catholic faith, to which he inclines at present, though he is liberally inclined and is not in full accord with all the doctrines of that church.

The farm upon which Mr. Hickey now resides consists of ninety acres, to the management of which he devotes his attention. The location is one of great beauty, and invariably attracts the admiring glances of the passer-by. Though the farm is small, every acre is productive and adds to the revenue derived from the estate. The buildings are neat and arranged so as to suit the convenience of the family. Mr. Hickey is a man of charitable impulses, who both as a merchant and as an agriculturist has displayed the business qualifications that bring success to their fortunate possessor.

RICHARD S. SIGLER, the owner and occupant of a well improved farm in Franklin Township, was born in this precinct two miles from his present residence, January 16, 1836. His parents, Jacob and Jane A. (Inlow) Sigler, were natives of Licking County, the former born November 5, 1814, and the latter August 9, 1815. The paternal grandfather, John Sigler, was the son of a German who emigrated to America prior to the Revolutionary War. He came with his family to Licking County, Ohio, about 1812, and in the midst of the wilderness opened, cleared and improved a farm. The surrounding country was almost in the primeval condition of nature, and the settlement of Franklin Township had not yet fully commenced.

The subject of this sketch was the eldest of a family of three sons and two daughters. The others are: Lovina, who is married and resides in Boone County, Iowa; Jesse, who died in Iowa at the age of about forty years, leaving a wife and two children; John, who died at about fourteen years; and Emma J., who married David Griffy and resides in Jacksontown, Licking County. In the neighboring schools our subject acquired a fair English education, and having been a student during his whole life, he is exceptionally well informed on the current topics of the day, as well as in the history of the country.

Learning the trade of a wagon-maker, Mr. Sigler was thus engaged until the introduction of machinery rendered the trade unprofitable. He still, however, continues to do odd jobs for himself or neighbors as occasion demands. At the age of twenty-six years, he was united in marriage with

Miss Elizabeth A., daughter of James B. and Mary (Swern) Irwin, natives respectively of Maryland and Germany. Her paternal grandparents were born in Maryland in 1775, the grandmother bearing the maiden name of Charity Murray. The grandfather came to Licking County in 1817, and entered from the Government a tract of land comprising our subject's present farm. There are now in possession of the family the patents signed by President Madison.

The maternal grandparents of Mrs. Sigler, John and Christina (Weaver) Swern, emigrated from Germany to America in 1814. They suffered greatly in crossing the Atlantic, their boat being driven out of her course, thus prolonging the voyage, and those on board were almost starved when land was reached. They remained for a short time in Shenandoah County, Va., and from there came to Licking County, Ohio. Mrs. Sigler was the eldest child of her parents, the others being Caroline Virginia, who died in 1855; John P., who married Matilda Lake, and lives in Newark, Ohio; and George W., residing near Alexandria, and a farmer by occupation.

Unto Mr. and Mrs. Sigler four children have been born, of whom three are living. James F., who was born November 21, 1863, married Miss Anna Turner, of Lebanon, Ohio, and they have one child. He is a young man of fine attainments, a graduate of the scientific and classical departments of Lebanon University, and now holds the position of Superintendent of the city schools of Wichita Falls, Tex. Jay E., born September 13, 1866, learned telegraphy, but at present is engaged in farming in Newark Township; he married Miss Sadie Wade. Owen E. was born February 8, 1883, and is now in school. Rosa May, who was born February 14, 1865, died at the age of six weeks. The children have received excellent educational advantages, and Jay was at one time a teacher.

In religious affairs Mr. Sigler is active and zealous. He and his wife are earnest, consistent members of the Methodist Protestant Church. Frank is actively connected with the Methodist Episcopal Church, and being a talented musician and excellent singer, his services are in great demand both in church and social gatherings. Jay and his wife are members of the Presbyterian Church. The Sigler homestead consists of one hundred and sixty-five acres of well improved land, upon which our subject engages in mixed farming. In addition to grain, he also raises stock, and gives considerable attention to fruit culture, having a fine orchard of apple, peach, cherry and pear trees, together with many small fruits. He has sold as many as a hundred bushels of blackberries in a single year. A life-long Democrat, he has held several offices within the gift of the people of this locality. For fifteen years he held the office of Township Clerk, and for ten years served as Township Trustee.

GEORGE W. BURNER, M. D., a practicing physician of Appleton, is a native of Homer, Ohio, and was born on the 27th of July, 1863. He is the youngest child born to the union of John H. and Elizabeth (Condon) Burner, of whom extended mention is made on another page of this volume. His boyhood years were passed in the locality of his birth, and he was the recipient of excellent educational advantages. After having completed the studies of the common schools of Homer, he entered the Ada (Ohio) Normal School, where he continued his literary researches. Later he was a student at Otterbein University, in Westerville, Ohio.

However, previous to entering the University, the subject of this sketch began teaching school, and following his attendance in that institution he continued to teach during the winter season. It had been his determination and ambition from boyhood to become a physician, and acting upon this resolve he commenced the study of medicine under the preceptorship of Dr. Reynolds, of Homer. He spent three years in study, during a portion of which time he attended Columbus Medical College, graduating from that institution in March, 1892. Upon completing his studies he opened an office for the practice of his profession in Pleasantville, Ohio, but after having resided in that place a short

time he came to Appleton, in 1892. He is the only physician of the village and has established a practice extending through a large portion of the surrounding country.

The marriage of Dr. Burner was solemnized on the 29th of January, 1892, and united him with Miss Winifred McClintick, a native of Licking County, and daughter of W. W. and Margaret (Lavue) McClintick, who were numbered among the early settlers of this part of the state. To Dr. and Mrs. Burner has been born a daughter, Marguerite. The religious home of the family is in the Methodist Episcopal Church of Appleton, to the maintenance of which the Doctor contributes generously and in the good works of which he feels a deep interest.

SAMUEL FARMER, a well known agriculturist of Hopewell Township, was born April 18, 1841, upon the farm where he now lives. He is the son of William and Catherine (Perry) Farmer, the former of whom was one of the early settlers of Licking County, having been identified with its history from childhood and having shared the hardships and vicissitudes common to all pioneers in the opening of a new country. The mother was born in Virginia, but was brought to Muskingum County, Ohio, in infancy, and also endured the hardships of frontier life. She passed from earth March 1, 1857.

In the family of William and Catherine Farmer there were seven children, three of whom died in infancy, and Perry on the 4th of December, 1858. There now survive: Mary, wife of James Iden and a resident of Hanover Township, Licking County; Isaac, who makes his home in Hopewell Township, and Samuel, our subject. The father of this family was fatally wounded in a railroad wreck on the Pan-Handle Railroad, January 17, 1865, from the effects of which he died on the 22d of January, 1865. He was a man of upright character, whose nobility of purpose and integrity of principles won for him the confidence of the people of this county.

The boyhood days of our subject were spent on the farm where he now lives. His school advantages were limited, as most of his time was devoted to farm duties, and there were not in those days the excellent opportunities for acquiring an education that are offered the youth of this generation. Trained to agricultural pursuits he naturally selected farming as his life work, and in this occupation he has since engaged. He chose as his helpmate on life's journey Miss Julia Ann Lauhfman, and the ceremony uniting their destinies was performed on the 31st of October, 1861.

Ten children were born of this union, one of whom died in infancy. Of the others we note the following: J. M. is married and lives in Newark; William, residing in Hopewell Township, married Miss Plesa M. Frances and they have two children; Perry, also a resident of Hopewell Township, chose as his wife Miss Hattie J. Phillips, and they have one child; J. F. is clerk in a store in Newark; Margaret Ann, wife of Homer L. Rogers, has one child, and lives in Hopewell Township; Almeda, Harvey, Lucy J. and Julia E. are at home with their parents.

The farm owned and occupied by our subject consists of two hundred acres, upon which a substantial set of buildings has been erected and other first-class improvements added. While not an active politician, Mr. Farmer is a stanch member of the Democratic party. In local matters he uses judgment in casting his ballot, always voting for the candidate whom he considers best qualified for the office, irrespective of political belief. He and his wife, also several of the children, are identified with the Baptist Church and are active in religious enterprises.

VAN R. MOORE, a retired farmer of Burlington Township, was born October 30, 1821, within one mile of his present home. He is the son of Jacob and Mary (Dixson) Moore, natives of Augusta County, Va., the father born

in 1788 and the mother in 1786. Jacob Moore was twice married, his first union taking place in the Old Dominion and resulting in the birth of three children, one of whom, John, resides in Delaware County, Ohio; he was born in 1813, and has always engaged in agricultural pursuits.

The second marriage of Jacob Moore resulted in the birth of five children, of whom Van R. is the next to the youngest. Caroline, the eldest, married Eli Smootz and died in 1890, leaving several children. Allie Ann became the wife of Willis Hoagland and resides in Indiana. Harvey is a widower and lives with his children in Hardin County, Ohio. Allen married Miss Mathews and is now a resident of Delaware County, Ohio. Van R. was a student in the pioneer log schoolhouses of early days, acquiring a fair common school education. His life occupation has been that of agriculture, in which he has met with unvarying success.

In 1845 Mr. Moore married Miss Mary Butcher, who died in 1858, leaving three children, viz.: Cynthia, now the wife of John Richardson, a merchant in Spencerville, Allen County, Ohio; William A., who resides on a farm adjoining that of his father, and of whom mention is elsewhere made; and Eliza A., wife of John R. Carver, a farmer of Bennington Township, Licking County. The second marriage of our subject occurred in 1859, uniting him with Matilda, daughter of Adam and Anne (Crowe) Patterson, and a native of Burlington Township, having been born in 1824 upon a farm adjoining her present home. Her father was one of the first settlers of this township, having come here in 1810. On coming here he was obliged to cut his way through the timber from Utica, a distance of five or six miles. His first marriage resulted in the birth of two children, Betsy and Lydia, both deceased. His second wife, Rebecca Moore, was a sister of our subject's father, and one son and two daughters were born of this union, all now deceased. By his third marriage he had seven children, two sons and five daughters, of whom six are now living, Mrs. Moore being one of the number.

In the advocacy of his political views Mr. Moore has been active and earnest. In early life a Whig, he became a Republican upon the organization of the party, and has since cast his vote with that political organization. He was twenty years old when General Harrison was elected President, and took a lively interest in log cabin parades and in wearing the Buckeye clothing. He has held various official positions in Burlington Township, in all of which he has rendered efficient service to his fellow-citizens.

With Mr. and Mrs. Moore resides a granddaughter, Grace Moore, whose mother died when she was a child. She is now seventeen years of age and is well educated, having been a student in the Utica Normal School and Granville Female Seminary. The landed possessions of Mr. Moore at one time were large, but he has been liberal in his gifts to his children and now retains only one hundred and sixty acres. This, however, is finely improved, and constitutes one of the most valuable farms of Burlington Township.

JOHN H. BURNER, a retired business man of Homer, was born in Greenbrier County, W. Va., April 10, 1818, and is the son of Daniel and Christina (Hisey) Burner, both natives of the Old Dominion, the father born in Greenbrier County, and the mother in Shenandoah County. The paternal grandfather was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. In 1820 the parents removed to Pike County, Ohio, where the father engaged in farming and also assisted in the construction of the Ohio Canal. He died in 1833, and the mother removed to Licking County, where she resided for two years. Thence going to Knox County, she made it her home until her death in 1850.

There were five children in the family, of whom John H. is the next to the youngest and the only one now living. He attended the subscription schools of early days, walking three miles through the woods to the schoolhouse. The building was

one of primitive construction, without floor, with puncheon benches instead of desks, and oiled paper over holes in the walls instead of windows. Under these adverse circumstances the lad attained a fair knowledge of the common branches. In youth he was employed on the Ohio Canal and also assisted his brother-in-law in clearing up a timber farm. When about eighteen he began to learn the trade of a cabinet-maker. At that time every article of furniture was made by hand. For several years he worked as a house joiner, and meantime constructed the first turning lathe ever operated by horse power in Homer.

November 18, 1845, Mr. Burner was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth Condon, a native of Maryland and of Irish and English descent, her father being an Irishman. Seven children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Burner, of whom four are yet living. Daniel, who was born in September, 1846, is employed by the Case Manufacturing Company of Columbus, Ohio. Robert, John M. and Elizabeth, died at the respective ages of nineteen, twenty-one and nineteen. William L., a draughtsman, is employed in the shop of which his brother Daniel is foreman. Hattie is a successful school teacher and resides at home. George W. is a practicing physician at Appleton, Licking County, and a graduate of the Ohio Medical College at Columbus. All the sons are married.

The active business life of our subject is practically over, although he still owns and operates a grocery and notion store in Homer. He does not, however, engage in active work as in years past, but confines his attention to a general oversight of his establishment. His life occupation was that of a furniture dealer and undertaker, in which he gained a competence. During the first administration of President Grant he served as Postmaster at Homer. Though reared a Democrat, he has not voted that ticket since the election of Franklin Pierce. He is now a stanch Republican and takes pains to keep himself well posted on current events. His sons are also Republicans.

The religious home of the family is in the Methodist Episcopal Church, and this is true of preceding generations as far back as the record extends. It is also worthy of note that the sons have, without exception, officiated as Class-leaders in that denomination, and all but the eldest have been teachers. In her youth Mrs. Burner was a school teacher, and met with success in that occupation. She is a lady of refinement and culture, and is highly esteemed in the social circles of the village.

JESSE M. CLARK. In addition to general agricultural pursuits in McKean Township, this gentleman also owns and operates a general store at Sylvania. He is a native of this township and was born February 5, 1828. His parents, Fleetwood and Elizabeth Clark, were both natives of Pennsylvania and were there reared and married. In 1814 they came to Licking County, and settled upon the land now occupied by the village of Sylvania. At that time there were but few settlers in McKean Township, and their nearest neighbor was three miles distant.

In the family of Fleetwood Clark there were eleven children, nine of whom attained years of maturity, but only three are known to be living. The father died in 1850. His first wife, the mother of our subject, died in 1838. Jesse M. is the only representative of the family now in Licking County, and is one of the oldest native-born citizens of McKean Township. In his boyhood years public schools had not come in vogue, and such educational advantages as were offered the children could be secured only in subscription schools. In one of these our subject was a student whenever it was possible for him to leave home. Farming has been his life work to a great extent, and he was engaged exclusively at this occupation until 1876, when he embarked in the mercantile business at Sylvania.

Formerly a Republican, Mr. Clark has of late years voted the Democratic ticket on national is-

sues, but in local matters supports the man best qualified for office, irrespective of political views. Twice married, he has no children living of his first union. In 1854 he married Sarah Bishop, who was born in the Empire State, and they are the parents of two children, Frank and Orpha.

HENRY SHIPLEY. The farm owned and occupied by this gentleman lies in Bennington Township, and consists of one hundred and eighty-six acres of land, under excellent cultivation. Here he engages in the raising of the various cereals to which the soil is adapted. He was born in Berlin, Holmes County, Ohio, October 28, 1830, and is a son of Josiah and Elizabeth (Hoagland) Shipley, the former born in Washington County, Pa., in 1808, and the latter a native of Virginia. At a very early date in the history of Holmes County, the Hoagland family settled there, and accumulating valuable property, also became known as one of the most influential families of that section. An uncle of our subject, Moses Hoagland, served as a Colonel in the Mexican War, and was also a member of Congress from the Congressional District of which Holmes County is a part. Another uncle, James, was a representative to the Ohio Legislature from Holmes County, while Pliny, a brother of the latter, was one of the Directors of the Pittsburg, Ft. Wayne & Chicago Railway Company.

From Pennsylvania the father of our subject removed to Guernsey County, Ohio, thence to Holmes County, and finally to Licking County. His first wife, our subject's mother, died in 1850. Four years later he went to Iowa and settled in Des Moines County, where he continued to reside until his death, in December, 1883. Two of his brothers died in Missouri, another in Nebraska, and the fourth in Indiana; their father lived to the advanced age of one hundred. Our subject is the eldest child born of his father's first marriage, which resulted in the birth of twelve children, eight now living. Moses, a farmer and mechanic, resides in Licking County; Stephen, also a mechanic, lives in St. Louis, Mo.; Martha, wife of Charles Warth, is a resident of Kansas City, Mo.; George is engaged in farming near Council Bluffs, Iowa; Parker, a farmer and stock dealer, lives near Mt. Pleasant, Iowa; Leanna, wife of John Barnhill, resides in Burlington, Iowa; Marion is a farmer near New London, Iowa.

The second marriage of Josiah Shipley united him with Elizabeth Rorick, who now lives near New London, Iowa, with her eldest son, John. Twelve children were born to this union, of whom six are living. Lydia resides in Nebraska, where her husband is Clerk of the Courts; Angeline is married and lives in Page County, Iowa; Mrs. Ella Bishop lives near New London, Iowa; Frank, who is unmarried, resides with his brother John; Charles is married and lives near New London, Iowa.

The subject of this sketch passed his boyhood years uneventfully, attending subscription schools in the winter and working on the farm in summer. Though his advantages were not good, he acquired a practical education. In youth he learned the carpenter's trade, which he followed for many years in connection with farming. December 7, 1856, he was united in marriage with Miss Sarah A. Parsons, a native of Licking County, born in 1839. Her parents, J. C. and Sally Parsons, came from York State in 1837 and are now deceased.

Eight children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Shipley. Willis M., of Bennington Township, married Elma Simmons and has two children. Josiah C. first married Eva Dixon, by whom he had one child, and afterward wedded Ella Bowman, who bore him two children; he lives in McKean Township. Elmer E., a widower, resides at home, his wife having died in October, 1892; he has two daughters. Martha, Mrs. James Shipp, resides in Liberty Township, and has two sons; Marion married Miss Jennie Day and lives in Burlington Township; Zoa Zella resides at home.

In the fall of 1883 Mr. Shipley was elected a member of the Board of County Commissioners,

and three years later he was re-elected, serving six years. During that time a great deal of public work was done, among which may be mentioned the erection of the Orphans' Home, the Old People's Home at the County Infirmary, the County Jail, the armory at Hebron, as well as that at Newark, and several bridges. These are substantial improvements and the Homes will long stand as monuments to the memory of the charitable people of Licking County. Mr. Shipley has always taken an active interest in politics, being a Democrat. While not aggressive, he believes in every man having convictions and also having the courage of his convictions. Active and zealous in religious work, he has for many years been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ANDREW J. BAKER, one of the valiant men to whom we are indebted for the preservation of the Union, was born in Muskingum County, Ohio, August 11, 1841. His parents, Joseph and Catherine (Haynes) Baker, were natives of Ohio and came to Ohio prior to their marriage, settling in Belmont County. After a short sojourn there they removed to Muskingum, and later to Licking County, where they both died, the mother being the first to pass away and the father following her shortly afterward. Twelve children had been born unto them, eight of whom survive, and all are residents of Ohio with the exception of one sister, Mrs. Susan Francis, who lives in Missouri.

In youth Mr. Baker enjoyed good school advantages and at the age of twenty years he began to teach school, but his occupation was interrupted by the outbreak of the Rebellion. He was then under twenty-one and his father opposed his enlistment, but being resolved to enter the service, he went to Iowa and enlisted as a member of Company E, Eighth Iowa Cavalry, which was mustered in during September, 1863. At once the regiment went to the front. They suffered severely, being reduced from the full quota of twelve hundred men to three hundred and forty-five discharged at the close of the war. When it is considered that the regiment was recruited several times with new men, it is reasonable to suppose that few of the original number escaped.

With his regiment our subject participated in the following battles: Dalton, Resaca, Kenesaw Mountain, Mt. Kingston, Atlanta, Eastport, Columbus, Franklin, the two days' battle of Nashville, Tuscaloosa, Blue Mountain and many engagements of less importance. While he had many narrow escapes, his cap being knocked off his head and bullet holes penetrating his clothing, yet he was never wounded. He was promoted to Sergeant of his company and was recommended for a commission as First Lieutenant. From August 20, 1864, until March, 1865, he was in command of his company. He was honorably discharged at Clinton, Iowa, in October, 1865. At the time of his discharge he was so reduced and emaciated by disease incurred in service that he weighed but ninety-eight pounds. He was unable to engage in any active business, and his disability has continued to the present. For many years after the war he received a pension of $6 per month. This was afterward made $8, later raised to $12, and is now $14. He is a member of Evans Post No. 668, at Perryton, and has been its Commander for the past four years.

In 1866 Mr. Baker was united in marriage with Miss Jane Fairall, a native of Muskingum County, Ohio, of which her parents were early settlers. Six children have blessed the union, of whom five are living. They are, Elmer G., Inez A., George I., Alice L. and Estella. In 1889 Mr. Baker was appointed Postmaster at Perryton and filled that position with credit to himself and satisfaction to the patrons of the office until a change of administration was followed by a change of Postmaster. He succeeded in bringing the office up to considerable importance, the money order system being introduced under his management. Supplementary to the emoluments of office, he added a stock of notions, groceries, farming tools, tinware, etc., and

still continues in the business. In political sentiments he is a stanch Republican, and for some time has held the position of Clerk of Perry Township. With his wife he holds membership in the Christian Church. They are a worthy couple, and are held in high esteem by the people of the locality.

JOSEPH LEATHERMAN. On January 3, 1889, there passed from earth a gentleman who for years has been closely connected with the growth of Perry Township, and whose life was a clear and blotless page of noble deeds most nobly done. He it is whose name introduces these paragraphs and whose life we thus briefly record for posterity.

"What need his virtues to portray?
What need his memory to defend?
As husband, father, sage and friend,
He walked in his great Master's way."

He owned a well improved farm in Perry Township and there retired from the active duties that fell to his lot in younger years, he passed his declining days.

In Washington County, Pa., the subject of this sketch was born April 20, 1819, to the union of John and Christina (Meyers) Leatherman. He was one of nine children, of whom four are now living, Sarah, Lydia, Lucy and Jane. Sarah, now Mrs. Ross, lives in Pennsylvania and has three children. Lydia is married and resides in Washington, Pa. Lucy, who also lives in Washington, is the wife of a professor in a New York medical college. Jane is a widow, her husband having been drowned in the Monongahela River while endeavoring to rescue a companion who had fallen in while on a fishing excursion.

January 8, 1860, our subject married Miss M. J. Wagstaff, of Perry Township, Licking County. Her parents were Daniel B. and Matilda (Parnell) Wagstaff, the former born in Pennsylvania in 1803, and the latter a native of Ohio. Her father was one of the pioneers of Ohio, coming to the state at a time when Indians were numerous and when vast forests alone were to be seen where now are farms of unusual fertility and towns of commercial importance. Mrs. Leatherman was born April 26, 1838, and is the youngest of five children, the others being, Julia, who married a Mr. Miller and died in 1855; William, a prominent physician of North Lewisburg, Ohio; James, who married Annie Wood and lives in Perry Township; and John, a graduate of the Cleveland Medical College, who entered the army as assistant surgeon and died of typhoid fever at Vicksburg.

The union of Mr. and Mrs. Leatherman was blessed by the birth of nine children, six of whom survive. Nettie is married and lives in Knox County. Dr. J. C. Leatherman, formerly a prominent physician of Hebron, married Jessie Fleming and died February 23, 1893, leaving one son. Dr. Frank P., a graduate of the Starling Medical College of Columbus, is a talented young man and a popular physician of Outville, Ohio. Ida is married and lives in Muskingum County. Celia, who is a student in the University at Granville, is a musician of superior ability. The two youngest children attend the home schools. Mrs. Leatherman is a member of the Disciples' Church, to which her husband also belonged. He was a man of enviable standing in the community, upright and honest in all business dealings, and an earnest and substantial supporter of the right.

JOHN M. DRUMM. Hopewell Township contains among its agriculturists the gentleman above named, who was born November 18, 1838, to Daniel and Sarah Catherine (Hull) Drumm. His father came to Ohio as early as 1805 and settled near Zanesville, Muskingum County. After spending a time there, he came to Licking County and purchased property in Hope-

well Township. Here he continued to make his home until he passed from earth in 1889. He and his wife were the parents of eight children, two of whom died in childhood, and two after having attained mature years. Four are now living, those besides our subject being, James W., a resident of Madison Township; E. A., who lives near Newark, and Richard, living in Hopewell Township.

Such advantages as were offered by the neighboring district schools fell to the lot of our subject, and there he laid the foundation of his education, which he has since increased by thoughtful general reading on subjects of importance. He has never married, but has continued quietly to pursue the even tenor of his way in the place of his birth. His fine farm consists of two hundred and thirty-eight acres, upon which have been placed all the improvements that mark a model estate, including a substantial set of rural buildings. Though not identified with any denomination, his preference is in favor of the Baptist Church. He is sincerely attached to the doctrines of the Democratic party, and earnestly advocates its interests with his vote and voice.

BERI BEECHER, a resident of Harrison Township, was born in Herkimer County, N. Y., March 19, 1812. He is a son of Zina and Lucretia (Sanford) Beecher, both of whom were born and reared in the vicinity of New Haven, Conn., and emigrated to Licking County, Ohio, settling in Harrison Township in 1836. Here they continued to reside until death. Our subject's father and Lyman Beecher, father of the noted divine, Henry Ward Beecher, were second cousins.

In the parental family there were six sons and three daughters who attained to years of maturity, of whom two sisters and two brothers are deceased. Edwin has been a resident of southern Illinois for a number of years; Lyman died in Outville, Ohio, six years ago; George, Charles and Walter are residents of the Buckeye State, and Charles, a lawyer by profession, is now traveling in Europe. George and Walter, both of whom reside in Marysville, Union County, are retired farmers, and have been extensively engaged as buyers and shippers of stock, also as wool-growers and dealers.

Educated in the Empire State, our subject there learned the trade of a tanner and in connection with his father and uncle owned and operated a tannery for many years. For two years after his parents came to Ohio he continued to make his home in New York, and his brother Edwin also remained, engaging in teaching school. In 1838 our subject was united in marriage with Miss Lucy Gray and their union resulted in the birth of five children, of whom three are still living. Edwin, the eldest of the family, died in Illinois; Helen married Henry Palmerton, a farmer residing near Granville, Ohio, and they are the parents of one daughter; Grace is the wife of Edward Featherstone, a fruit grower and music teacher in Illinois; Eugene S. resides in Union Township; and Justice, the youngest, was a student in Denison University in Granville, where he died. The mother of these children died July 28, 1861, at the age of fifty years, having been born July 30, 1811.

The second marriage of Mr. Beecher united him with Mrs. Elizabeth Moorehouse, their wedding being solemnized April 16, 1864. She was a sister of his first wife and was born in Madison County, N. Y., June 20, 1812. Her death occurred July 30, 1875. The third wife of our subject, Mrs. Fannie (Stebbins) Swisher, was born in Madison County, N. Y., January 12, 1812, and passed from earth December 17, 1888. During his active years Mr. Beecher was a farmer, and still owns a farm consisting of one hundred and twenty-five acres, upon which his son E. S. resides. He also owns a comfortable residence in Outville and now lives retired from active work.

For forty-five years Mr. Beecher has been a member of the Presbyterian Church and instrumental in having a church erected in Outville. For two and one-half years he lived in Granville, but

preferring a more retired location he returned here and had his present house erected. Here he lives in retirement and is cared for by a family who live with him. At present his health is poor, his four score years having left their impress upon him. Longevity is one of the characteristics of the family, his father having died when eighty-one and his mother at ninety-one years. He is probably the only resident of the township who cast three Presidential ballots for members of the Harrison family. In New York in 1836 he voted for Gen. Harrison, again supported him four years later in Ohio, and in 1888 cast a ballot for the grandson of the hero of Tippecanoe. Nothing more need be said of the political belief of Mr. Beecher, as this fact sufficiently proves his partiality to the Republican party.

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NATHAN Q. FLEMING. To anyone who closely applies himself to the occupation which he has chosen as his vocation in life, there can come only good results—success and the regard of his associates. Mr. Fleming is no exception to this rule, for his present position among the farmers of Hanover Township has been reached only by industry, honor and strict attention to agriculture. He inherited a fragment of his present possessions, to which economy and good management have added a fine property. His home is one of the most elegant in the locality, and although he has divided liberally with his children, he still retains three hundred and fifty acres.

The father of our subject, Thomas D. Fleming, was born in Northumberland County, Pa., January 14, 1807, and was united in marriage in Licking County, February 17, 1831, with Miss Rebecca Hall, who was a native of Perry Township, Licking County, born February 23, 1814. The father was a man of sterling integrity, a devoted Christian and possessed more than ordinary intelligence. His talents were ever exerted in favor of right, as he understood it. He united with the church the year of his marriage, and during forty years of his life he was continuously a member of the official board as Steward and Class-leader in the Methodist Episcopal Church. Love for and devotion to the church were marked characteristics of his life. His last words were "All is well" and "I am ready." The death of this noble man, whose works do live after him, occurred August 7, 1880, at the age of seventy-four years.

Likewise was the mother of our subject firm in Christian belief and sincere in her religious life. In 1830 she joined the Methodist Episcopal Church and continued a faithful and devoted laborer in the cause of Christ to the day of her death, which occurred in Licking County February 5, 1894, aged seventy-nine years. Her church membership

extended over a period of more than sixty-three years. Our subject was born in Perry Township, Licking County, December 7, 1831, and was the eldest of a family of two sons and two daughters, all living. Matilda J. married Milton Montgomery, a prominent farmer and stock-raiser of Perry Township, and they have one living child, a son. Hugh A. chose as his wife Miss Catherine Wintermute, and is engaged in the furniture and undertaking business at Pataskala, this county. Cynthia A. became the wife of William Berry, a farmer of Perry Township, and they have four children.

In addition to attendance at the district schools, Mr. Fleming was for a short time a student in a private school. The knowledge acquired in school has been supplemented by a life of studious habits and careful reading. At the age of twenty-one, he embarked in farming and stock-raising, which he has continued uninterruptedly to the present. March 25, 1856, he was united in marriage with Miss Sophia Wickham, a daughter of Gideon Wickham, late of Licking County. Four children were born of this union, of whom three are living. Thomas G. married Bertha Stump and resides on a farm adjoining that of his father. Ira Elton died September 14, 1865, aged two years and eight months. Carrie J. became the wife of Orice C. McClelland and resides in Madison Township. Charles Park, who was born in 1871, resides with his parents. The children had excellent educational advantages, each having attended an institution of higher learning one year or more supplementary to the district schools.

May 13, 1888, Mrs. Sophia Fleming passed away. The present wife of our subject was the widow of Miles Marple and bore the maiden name of Mary E. Armstrong. Her father, William Armstrong, is a prominent old settler of Muskingum County, this state, where he is now (1894) living at the ripe old age of eighty-five years. Mr. Fleming is a public-spirited citizen, who takes an active interest in political affairs. He cast his first vote for a Republican candidate and has continued in that line to the present. In his religious connections he has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church for forty-five years or more, having joined when he was fourteen years of age. For over thirty years he has held official relations with the church in the capacity of Steward, Class-leader and Trustee, and at the present time is one of the Circuit Stewards.

COL. JOHN C. CAMPBELL, a veteran of the late war and a retired citizen of Newark Township, was born in Westmoreland County, Pa., August 10, 1824, being the son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Dawson) Campbell. His father, a native of Armstrong County, Pa., was a contractor and builder by occupation, and also followed the trade of a cabinet-maker. The mother was born near Belfast, Ireland, and at the age of three months was brought to America by her parents, who settled upon a farm in Westmoreland County, Pa. One of her brothers, Capt. William Dawson, was a noted navigator.

The parental family consisted of five sons and two daughters, of whom John C. was the eldest. William, next in order of birth, was for many years proprietor of a hotel in Poland, Ohio, and died of cholera in St. Louis. James died in early manhood, leaving a wife and one child. Robert, who married and has five children, is a retired business man of Beaver Falls, Pa. Sarah, widow of Andrew Patton, resides in Pittsburg, Pa.; she has a son and daughter, the former an exemplary young man and a trusted employe of a wholesale house in Pittsburg. David and Mary A. are twins; the former, a retired jeweler, resides in Newcastle, Pa., while the latter is the wife of Andrew Whitcraft, a prosperous business man of Sharon, Pa.

The subject of this sketch has been twice married. His union with Miss Mary Howell, a native of Westmoreland County, Pa., was solemnized in 1848, and resulted in the birth of two children. The elder, Edmund P., who was born August 2, 1852, is in the employ of the baggage department of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad at West New-

ton, Pa. Macre married Joseph L. Rue, and resides at Coshocton, Ohio. Mrs. Mary Campbell died in 1864, and three years later our subject married Miss Helen Price, a native of Coshocton, Ohio. Her father, William Henry Harrison Price, was a half brother to the noted Confederate General Price, but, unlike him, he was a stanch Union man and a firm Abolitionist.

Colonel Campbell was among the first to respond to his country's call for aid in the hour of peril. He enlisted in Company A, Seventy-sixth Pennsylvania Infantry, as a private, in August, 1861. January 9, 1862, he received a commission as Captain of his company from October 1, 1861. November 7, 1862, he was commissioned Lieutenant-Colonel of the Seventy-sixth Pennsylvania Infantry, to rank as such from the 19th of August, 1862. January 29, 1864, he was promoted to Colonel of his regiment, to rank as such from the 21st of December, 1863. This is a military record of which any man might justly be proud. His promotion from the rank of Captain to Lieutenant-Colonel was an honor seldom accorded to men of like rank. Being prostrated by disease, and his physicians reporting that he could not recover, the Colonel sent in his resignation, but General Gilmore, then in command at Hilton Head, S. C., returned it disapproved. A re-examination was made, with the same report. Again the resignation was returned disapproved, General Gilmore giving as the reason that "there is no other man in the regiment who can fill your place." Thanking his superior for the praise, Colonel Campbell added that he was not seeking compliments.

Soon there came an order to transfer the Colonel to St. Augustine, Fla., and it was doubtless the trip on the rickety little boat, the delightful sea breeze and the change of climate that saved his life. Colonel Campbell served as Provost-Marshal of the Department of the South. He participated in every engagement, including the taking of Ft. Pulaski, in the vicinity of Hilton Head, S. C. From there he went to Beaufort, the same state. In the first charge on Ft. Wagner, opposite Ft. Sumter, the regiment lost two hundred and thirty-six men, and about two thousand men lost their lives in this attack. It was then decided to besiege the enemy, and after a continuous cannonade of seven days the second charge was made, which resulted as the first, though even more disastrously. The third charge was a repetition of the other two. Finally the enemy evacuated the place.

The Seventy-sixth joined Grant at Cold Harbor and took part in that very disastrous battle. Here Colonel Campbell took charge of the Third Brigade, Tenth Army Corps. From there he went to Petersburg, but being taken seriously ill he was sent home. Before his restoration to health the Army of Northern Virginia had surrendered and the war was at an end. In 1866 he engaged in coal mining in Coshocton, Ohio, where he had charge of sixty men in summer and eighty in winter for about fifteen years. This business was quite extensive, paying about $40,000 per year.

About twenty-six years ago Colonel Campbell retired to his pleasant home in the suburbs of Newark. He combines the attractions of country life with the advantages of the city. The electric cars pass by his door, thus rendering transportation to the city very convenient. Socially, he is a member of the Masonic order, and belongs to Lemert Post, G. A. R., at Newark. Politically, he is a Republican, though inclined to be somewhat liberal in politics, as in religion.

DAVID W. WINTER, M. D., opened an office at Newark in 1882, and has since conducted medical practice at this place. He is a native of Licking County, Union Township, his birthplace, and February 24, 1849, his natal day. His parents, Christopher and Margaret (Legge) Winter, were natives respectively of Washington and Licking Counties. The former, who was born in 1799, was reared upon a farm, and in 1836 came to Licking County, settling in Union Township, where he purchased a tract of partly improved land. When advanced in years he came

to Newark and for eight years made his home with our subject. Here he died at the age of eighty-seven.

Twice married, the first wife of Christopher Winter bore the maiden name of Catherine Simmons and died in Licking County, after having become the mother of twelve children, all of whom attained years of maturity. His second wife, who died in 1893, had four children, namely: David W., of this sketch; Stephen C., a resident of Leavenworth County, Kan.; W. P., who is a practicing physician of Caledonia, Ohio; and Maggie, wife of Ira Brownfield, a resident of Columbus, Ohio. By a former marriage our subject's mother had one child who attained mature years, William L. Browning, whose home is in Kirkersville, Ohio. In religious belief the family adhered to the Baptist faith. Politically, the father was at one time a Democrat, but afterward gave his support to the Republican party.

Reared to manhood upon the home farm, our subject was a student in the neighboring schools, and also attended the Commercial College at Columbus. He commenced the study of medicine in the Physio-Medical Institute at Cincinnati, Ohio, from which institution he was graduated in 1882. He then opened an office at Newark, where he has since engaged in the practice of his profession. On the 18th of June, 1879, he was united in marriage with Miss Artemlia Brumback, a native of Licking County and a daughter of John Brumback, of Licking Township. Mrs. Winter received an excellent education in the Granville Female Seminary, and afterward entered the Physio-Medical Institute at Cincinnati, graduating in the same class with Dr. Winter. At the time of her marriage she resided in Greenville, Ill., where she was a teacher in Elmira College for eleven years. She is now practicing medicine in partnership with her husband. She is a lady of superior culture, possessing a wide range of information not only in the medical science, but also in miscellaneous matters.

In addition to his professional duties, the Doctor superintends his fruit farm, comprising one hundred acres and situated near Newark. Here he has a peach orchard of three thousand trees, also a large number of apple, pear, quince and plum trees. He also owns town property, including the family residence at No. 40 West Locust Street. Socially, he is identified with the Ohio State Medical Society and has been a member of the National Medical Society. With the latest discoveries in the medical world he keeps abreast, and is himself a fluent writer, having contributed articles to the various medical journals. For three years he published the *Ladies' Health Journal*, a monthly paper, of which Mrs. Winter was editor.

The religious belief of the Doctor brings him into affiliation with the Baptist Church. Politically, he formerly advocated Republican principles, but is now firm in his allegiance to the Prohibition doctrines. The family of which he is a representative has always been intensely patriotic, and the first of the name in America (our subject's grandfather, Christopher Winter, who came hither from Germany), was one of the heroes of the Revolutionary War. Chistopher Winter, Jr., was equally loyal to our country, and during the War of 1812 volunteered in defense of the United States, but was not called into active service.

JAMES BELL, one of the extensive property owners of the county, was born in Washington Township, Licking County, Ohio, December 20, 1824, and is a son of Isaac and Catharine Bell, natives respectively of Greene County, Pa., and Virginia. Isaac, a son of James Bell, was born in 1802, and in 1815 accompanied the other members of the household to Ohio, settling in Morgan Township, Knox County. Here Grandfather Bell died at the advanced age of eighty-six years. He was twice married and reared a large family by both unions.

When a youth of about eighteen years Isaac Bell established domestic ties, after which he and his

wife settled in Licking County, where he cleared, improved and placed under cultivation a fine tract of land. Later returning to Knox County, he made his home in Clay Township, and in connection with agricultural pursuits was employed as a sheep grower, conducting that industry on an extensive scale. His landed possessions aggregated a large amount, and at the time of his death, in 1882, he was in comfortable circumstances. His wife died previous to his demise.

The six children in the family were as follows: Amelia, who became the wife of James M. McClelland and died in Utica; James; Elizabeth, Mrs. William Paul, who died in Knox County; Robinson, a resident of Knox County; Alexander, whose death occurred there, and Melissa, wife of Hiram Bricker. The father of these children was a loyal advocate of Democratic principles throughout his entire life, and frequently served in offices of trust and responsibility. In religious belief he was identified with the Christian Church.

The subject of this sketch spent the years of his boyhood and youth upon the home farm, alternating attendance at school with the tilling of the soil. His marriage, which occurred in 1848, united him with Miss Harriet Worthen, a native of Utica and a daughter of Albion and Elizabeth (Vance) Worthen. After his marriage Mr. Bell settled upon a farm in Clay Township and there made his home, engaged in the cultivation of the place until 1880, the date of his removal to Morgan Township. There he was similarly engaged for eleven years. In 1891 he removed to Utica. He is still the owner of over two hundred acres of valuable land, as well as considerable town property. To some extent he has engaged in the sheep business, which has proved quite profitable.

Unto Mr. and Mrs. Bell were born two children, Isaac A. and Mary Alice. The former married Lillie Brown and they have three children, Earl, Pearl and Coral. At present he is engaged as an agriculturist in Morgan Township. The daughter, Mary Alice, is the wife of Hugh Clutter, of Clay Township, and they have two children, Bertha and Harry. The political belief of Mr. Bell brings him into active co-operation with the Democratic party, and he has been a leader in its ranks in this locality. He has been chosen several times to serve in an official capacity and has always discharged the duties of the position with credit to himself. His religious connections are with the Christian Church.

ROBERT WILLIAMS, a retired mechanic living in the village of Jersey, was born in New York City, where he lived until twelve years ago. His parents were William and Elizabeth (Roberts) Williams, natives of North Wales. The former, emigrating to America in young manhood, returned to Wales after a few years and married the lady of his choice. Coming back to New York City he followed his trade of a ship carpenter. In 1849 he came to Licking County and settled in St. Alban's Township, where he was bereaved by the death of his wife about thirty-six years ago. He survived some time, passing away in that township nineteen years ago.

Unto William and Elizabeth Williams there were born six sons and one daughter, and at the present time four of the sons are living. William, Robert, Richard and Edward served in the Union army, William as a member of an Illinois regiment, and the others in an Ohio regiment. Edward died while in the service, and while the others lived to return home, all were more or less broken in health. Our subject was a member of Company D, Twenty-second Ohio Infantry, and while in the army contracted disease for which he is now pensioned. In his young manhood he learned the blacksmith's trade, which occupation he followed prior to his enlistment, but since returning from the war his health has not been vigorous enough to permit work at his trade.

In 1865 Mr. Williams was united in marriage with Miss Martha Harrison, a native of New Jersey and daughter of Stephen and Martha Harrison, who came to this county when she was quite young. To Mr. and Mrs. Williams three daughters have been born, Harriet, Henrietta and Martha. The

second daughter is the wife of D. B. Merrill. On New Year's Day of 1894 Mr. Williams took charge of the postoffice at Jersey, and as deputies he has his eldest and youngest daughters. They are of the greatest assistance to him, being well educated and efficient in the management of the office. Politically he votes and works for the success of the Democratic party and is a public-spirited man, ever active in promoting the success and best interests of the community.

For many years—indeed, ever since the war—Mr. Williams has been a great sufferer from rheumatism and is obliged to use crutches, so seriously have his sufferings impaired his body. As a partial compensation for what he has undergone, the Government grants him a pension of $72 per month. Socially he is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, belonging to the lodge at Jersey. His wife and children are leading and active workers in the Presbyterian Church and popular in the social circles of the community.

LYMAN W. MARSH. The mercantile establishment conducted by this gentleman at Hebron is well known by the people of this village and the surrounding country, from whom it receives a large patronage. Here are kept a complete and varied assortment of groceries, provisions, dry-goods and notions, and everything to be found in a first-class country store. The owner and proprietor has been a life-long resident of Hebron, and consequently is familiar with the progress of the town and county, to which he himself has largely contributed.

Born November 12, 1839, Mr. Marsh is the son of Lyman and Laura (Mayhew) Marsh, the former born in Woodstock, Windsor County, Vt., in 1796, and the mother at Watertown, Jefferson County, N. Y., in 1806. They were married in the city last-named, and after the birth of five children removed from the Empire State to Ohio, settling in Hebron in 1836. The journey to this place was made overland with teams and wagons, and after locating here the father, who had been a farmer in New York, embarked in the mercantile business, which was afterward his principal occupation until his death. The household was increased by the birth of three children after coming to Ohio, but of the entire family only three are now living, namely: Lyman W., Marshall, a pattern-maker in the stove manufacturing establishment at Newark, and Sarah J., the widow of Ira E. Kelsey, and a resident of Hebron.

Attending the common schools of Hebron during the early days, our subject well remembers the days when the master "boarded round" and gave his attention exclusively to the "three Rs." When his schooling was completed he secured a clerkship in a store at Hebron, and was thus engaged at the opening of the Rebellion. The country's peril awakened his patriotic spirit, and in 1862 he was enrolled as a member of Company B, One Hundred and Thirteenth Ohio Infantry, which was assigned to the Army of the Cumberland under General Rosecrans. His first baptism of fire was at Chickamauga, where the regiment suffered severely. Next came the Atlanta campaign, where the enemy was met on about twenty fields of greater or less note. He marched to the sea under the command of General Sherman, and then proceeded with the regiment up through the Carolinas to Richmond. Reaching Washington, he participated in the Grand Review at that place. At Louisville he was mustered out of service, and finally received his discharge at Columbus, Ohio. At the battle of Chickamauga he received a severe wound in the left thigh, on account of which the Government has granted him a small pension.

Returning to the parental home at Hebron, Mr. Marsh soon afterward embarked in the produce business at Mt. Vernon, Knox County, where he purchased butter and eggs of country merchants, and shipped a carload of produce each day, conducting a very extensive business. While thus engaged his marriage was solemnized at Mt. Vernon, uniting him with Miss Olive Maber, a native of

Mt. Vernon, and they became the parents of two children, of whom Walter died at the age of eleven months. Minnie, who was only two months old at the time of her mother's death, was placed in the family of an aunt. March 30, 1875, Mr. Marsh was united in marriage with Miss Annie Davidson, daughter of Joseph Davidson, both natives of Knox County. Three children bless the union: Nora, Carrie and Stella. Mrs. Marsh is a member of the Baptist Church, and a lady of amiable Christian character.

In 1868 Mr. Marsh returned to Hebron, and the following year opened the store which he has since conducted. In political faith he is a strong Republican, and takes an active interest in public affairs, but has never cared to accept official positions. While residing in Mt. Vernon he served for four years as Street Commissioner, and in that capacity rendered efficient service. In 1865 he was made a Mason, and is influential in the order, holding membership in Hebron Lodge No. 118.

REV. JACOB LAWRENCE WYLY. Though not at present actively engaged in the ministry, Mr. Wyly was long one of the prominent preachers of the Baptist denomination, and still devotes the Sabbath day to the proclaiming of the Gospel. Since 1888 he has resided upon a farm about a mile north of Granville. Much of his attention is devoted to the cultivation of its one hundred and sixty-five acres, and as an agriculturist he has displayed the energy, skill and industry characteristic of him in other lines of work.

On the paternal side Mr. Wyly traces his ancestry to Scotland, whence during the revolution in that country the family moved to Ireland. On his mother's side he is of English descent, and both of his grandfathers served in the Revolutionary War. He was born in Greene County, Pa., July 17, 1841, and was reared to manhood upon a farm, receiving a good education in Green Academy, Carmichael's, Pa., and at Waynesburg College, where he read law for a time. In 1869 he was ordained to the ministry of the Baptist Church at Prairie City, Iowa, and his first pastorate was at that place. Since that time he has been pastor of churches in Illinois and Ohio, and for a number of years was engaged in missionary work in this state for the Ohio Baptist State Convention.

On the 13th of June, 1861, Mr. Wyly enlisted in Company F, First Iowa Cavalry, and served for three years and four months in the Union army. Twice he was slightly wounded, but neither time was he disabled. His regiment was in active service west of the Mississippi, and in all of its engagements he took part. He was mustered out at Davenport, Iowa, in September, 1864. So gallant had been his conduct on the field of battle that he was recommended for promotion by Lincoln, Stanton and Governor Curtain, but refused a Colonel's commission. Exposure in camp and the hardships of long marches had impaired his health considerably, and to this day he still suffers from the effects of army life.

Politically Mr. Wyly is a Republican, active in local affairs, and in 1894 was elected delegate to the State Convention. He has served as Chaplain of the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Ohio. He is also connected with the Knights of Pythias. As a lecturer he has acquired considerable note, and has very often delivered addresses for the benefit of charitable or other worthy objects. His lecture "Beyond the Mississippi during the War" has been delivered in many cities, and is one of his most popular public addresses. On Memorial Day, when honors are paid to the memory of the departed soldiers, this veteran of the war frequently recounts, in public hall or park, some of the thrilling events of the great conflict that now belong to history.

At Wooster, Ohio, in 1866, occurred the marriage of Mr. Wyly to Miss Elizabeth Rayl, a native of the Buckeye State. Seven children have blessed the union, all living, viz.: George A., Emma J., Edgar C., Ida C., Nellie, Harry S. and Lillie.

Mr. Wyly takes a lively interest in educational matters, and is giving his children good advantages in that direction. George and Emma are now attending college, while the other children are conducting their studies in the common schools.

HON. WILLIAM D. SMITH, a retired farmer of Union Township, was born in Shenandoah County, Va., December 20, 1821, and is a son of John W. and Barbara (Coffman) Smith, also natives of that county, the former born in 1793 and the latter in 1801. About 1826 the father visited Licking County and purchased a farm. He then returned to the Old Dominion, where his death occurred in 1828. The following year the mother with four small children came to Ohio and took possession of the farm, where she continued to reside until her death, in 1880.

Our subject's mother had been married prior to her union with Mr. Smith, and four children were born of that union, of whom the only survivor is Abraham Brubaker, a resident of Tennessee, and now (1894) eighty-three years of age. Of her second marriage our subject is the only survivor. During the early years of their residence in Licking County, the family encountered all the hardships incident to life on the frontier. They had little money, and were subject to many privations. The mother spun and wove the cloth from which were made the garments worn by the children. Our subject wore homespun clothes until he attained manhood. He used the wooden mold board plow, as well as the sickle and cradle of pioneer times.

From October 28, 1829, until March, 1894, Mr. Smith resided upon the home farm, but at the date last-named, he retired from active business cares and came to Hebron, where in his declining years he is surrounded by all the comforts of life. At the death of his mother he inherited fifty-five acres of land, and by purchase he acquired other property until his possessions aggregated two hundred and fifty-nine acres, from which he realized $20,000 in cash. Two years previous he sold forty acres. The amount realized from these sales, together with his personal property, places him beyond the reach of poverty in his old age.

Three times married, our subject's first wife was Miss Mahala Young, a native of Licking County, and three children were born of this union. Two are living, Sarah, wife of J. B. Hershberger, of Newark, and John Willis, who is operating an electric light plant in San Marcus, Tex. Mary, the eldest of the family, married and resided in Frederick County, Va., until her death, which occurred in March, 1894. Mrs. Mahala Smith died in 1851, and for his second wife Mr. Smith married Mrs. Elizabeth (Teedrick) Voris. The only child born of this union was Charlie, who died at six years of age. The present wife of our subject was Mrs. Harriett (Faurot) Neff, widow of Dr. Neff, of Lima, Ohio, and a native of New York. They have a pleasant home in Hebron, and possess a competence wherewith to pass the balance of their days in ease.

Of the days of their early settlement in Licking County, Mr. Smith retains a vivid recollection, and concerning the experiences of frontier life, he is an interesting and animated conversationalist. When they came here they settled in the woods, and for some time the principal labor consisted of chopping and burning logs and brush, and raising log cabins and barns. For sustenance they depended largely upon the fruits of the soil and forest. The house he constructed was 44x76 feet in dimensions. For this structure he burned the brick, hauled the stone from Newark and finished the dwelling in a modern style at a cost of only $800. This was only one of the many excellent improvements made by him upon the farm, and all tend to show what may be accomplished by a man of resolute will, strong physique and willing hands. Two barns were built on the farm, one 38x76 in dimensions, with the first story of stone, and a sheep barn, 36x84, set on stone pillars. The house

and barns were erected during the mother's lifetime, and in this work her fertile brain and willing hands contributed largely to the grand results achieved.

Being of a mechanical bent, Mr. Smith has always done his own blacksmithing and machine work. In early days he manufactured his boots and shoes. He has constructed a complete set of tools and these he is now using. A Democrat in politics, he is devoted to that organization and interested in its success. On two occasions he represented Licking County in the State Legislature. His first election in that capacity was to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Hon. William Bell in 1875, when he was chosen Secretary of State. He was nominated in a delegate convention with eight competitors in the field, and at the ensuing election received every vote but one cast in Union Township. This will serve to show his popularity among his neighbors. He also represented the county in the Assembly of 1876–77. In public affairs he is well informed and has always maintained a habit of investigation before decision, which accounts in a large degree for his excellent judgment and sound common sense. He is independent in his religious views and is not connected with any denomination.

WILLIAM PAINTER, a veteran of the late war, was born in Muskingum County, Ohio, October 12, 1827, and is the son of John and Margaret (Miller) Painter, both natives of Ohio. His father came to Fallsbury Township, Licking County, at a period so early in its history that wild game of all kinds was plentiful, and other evidences of frontier life still abounded. William was the eldest of thirteen children, eight of whom still survive. They are, John W., who lives in Martinsburg, Knox County, Ohio; Maria, wife of Jacob Phillips, of Utica, Ohio; Melinda, the widow of Jacob Cannon, and a resident of Eden Township, Licking County; Jane, who is married and lives in Muskingum County; Margaret, now the wife of James Cannon, of Knox County; J. C., whose home is in Marion County, Ill.; Altie, who is married and lives in Perry County, and William.

The early years of our subject were uneventfully passed. His school advantages were so limited that he was permitted to attend only a small portion of each winter, his longest term, which was fifty-six days, being taken after he had reached manhood. October 26, 1854, he was united in marriage with Miss Julina Robinson, and eleven children resulted from the union, of whom nine are now living. They are, Zona V., now the wife of James Burrier, who is connected with the city schools of Boston, Mass.; Florence, deceased, formerly the wife of D. W. J. Evans, of Groton, S. Dak.; John W., who died in infancy; Sarah, who resides with her parents; D. H., who is Superintendent of Schools in Martinsburg; J. E., who is a young man of more than ordinary ability, and at present is Supervisor of the Lloyd system of manual training in the city schools of Minneapolis, Minn.; Will E., Principal of the East Newark schools; Ida C., who has been teaching and attending college for the past two years, and who expects to graduate soon from Denison University; Walter E., a young gentleman of intelligence and superior education, who is Superintendent of the Hanover schools; Myrtle, a graduate of the Martinsburg High School with the Class of '93, and Arthur B., who was also graduated from that school in 1893, and at present with his parents.

In May, 1863, Mr. Painter entered the service of his country, enlisting with the one hundred day men as a member of Company F, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Ohio Infantry. He was captured July 3, 1863, at North Mountain, W. Va., and was paroled in Richmond, Va., on the 24th of September following, after having spent twenty days in Libby Prison. In return for the hardships endured he is rewarded with a small pension. His farm consists of one hundred and fifty-four acres. The commodious farm residence is surrounded by shade and ornamental trees, and near by flows a beautiful spring of water. In his political belief Mr.

Painter is a stanch Republican, voting and using his influence for that party. He and his wife, together with most of their children, belong to the Baptist Church, and are earnest, consistent Christian people, highly respected in the community where they live.

JONAH NICKOLS. There is much in the life of this old settler of Madison Township to awaken the interest of the biographical reader, for though he has seen the tide of fortune turn against him at times, he has also gained many signal victories in a hand to hand struggle with the world. Notwithstanding his advanced years he retains the possession of his mental and physical faculties, and his memory being unimpaired by the flight of years he is an interesting conversationalist upon the happenings of pioneer times.

The old homestead where our subject was born is situated on Wheeling Creek, in Union Township, Belmont County, Ohio, and there his birth occurred November 25, 1811. His parents were John and Hannah (Osborn) Nickols, the former born in Loudoun County, Va., November 25, 1782, and the latter, a native of the same county, born June 10, 1784. The father served as a lieutenant in the War of 1812 and passed through Newark with his command while on his way to the Lewis Block House in northwestern Ohio.

In the parental family there were five sons and five daughters, all of whom grew to manhood and womanhood. One sister died at the age of eighty-one, and another when in her seventy-ninth year. Only three are now living, namely: our subject, who was the third child and eldest son; Alfred, who lives near St. Mary's, in Mercer County, Ohio; and Daniel, the youngest member of the family circle and now a resident of Belmont County, Ohio. The entire life of our subject has been spent upon a farm, engaged in agricultural pursuits. For a time he resided in Belmont County, thence removed to Guernsey County and from there came to Licking County, where he has lived forty-three years on the same place.

The first wife of our subject bore the maiden name of Nancy Hogue and was of Scotch descent. In the "Land of Thistles" the name was Hogg, but after coming to this country the family had it changed to the present version by legislative enactment. The Nickols family was also of Scotch origin and the name was formerly Nickoll. The genealogy of the family in America dates back to the year 1629, but it was not until 1807 that they were represented in Ohio, our subject's father coming to Belmont County in the fall of that year.

The union of Jonah and Nancy Nickols resulted in the birth of eight sons and two daughters, of whom five are living. The wife and mother died October 3, 1856, and on the 19th of October, 1857, our subject was united in marriage with Miss Jerusha Frances, who was born in Hanover Township, Licking County, December 31, 1832. Her father came to Licking County in an early day from Loudoun County, Va., and her mother was a native of Pennsylvania.

Of the children now living that were born of the two marriages of Mr. Nickols we note the following: Sarah Elizabeth, who resides in Missouri, is married and has seven children, also a number of grandchildren. The sketches of Albert and Volney appear separately herein. Mortimer, an agriculturist of Mercer County, Ohio, is married and has a family. Abner H. is a resident of Paulding County, Ohio. Thomas R. is married and resides in Mercer County, Ohio. Nancy, wife of William Bell, has one child and lives in Madison Township. Emily and George are unmarried and reside with their parents, for whom they tenderly care in their declining years. Samuel chose as his wife Miss Belle Jones and they are residents of Madison Township. Jesse married Hattie Swan, of Newark. Harriet is the wife of David Taylor, a carpenter living in Newark.

The wonderful improvement in the agricultural and commercial importance of Licking County Mr. Nickols has witnessed, and has contributed materially to the development of Madison Town-

ship, where he has spent the last forty-three years. He has cleared three farms, one of which was located in Guernsey County and was his home for thirteen years. When he came here his present finely improved farm was covered with native forest trees, and much hard labor has been expended in subduing the primitive forests. He is hale and hearty, his mental faculties are clear and his memory remarkable. When occasion requires he may be seen at work upon his farm.

First a Whig, Mr. Nickols became a Republican on the organization of that party, and has since stood by its colors and votes for its candidates, regardless of the nominees of the opposing party. He feels justly proud of the fact that he voted for the two General Harrisons for President. During war times he was firm in his advocacy of Abolition principles. He voted once for Giddings and also supported Henry Clay in his candidacy. On his mother's side he is related to the famous Republican statesman, the late James G. Blaine. He was at one time a member of the Know-Nothing society. He is a moral and law abiding citizen, and though he was never connected with any church organization, he believes in a Supreme Ruler of the universe.

LUCIUS B. WING, whose name is indissolubly connected with the history of the Franklin Banking Company, of Newark, was born in Wilmington, Vt., November 15, 1822. He traces his ancestry to John Wing, of Sandwich, Mass., and the line of descent is published in a volume entitled "Historical and Genealogical Register, 1662 to 1881." His parents were Bani and Theresa (Flint) Wing, the former of whom enlisted in 1779, when a youth of seventeen years, as a soldier in the Revolutionary War, becoming a member of Captain Rice's Company, Colonel Chapin's Regiment. Subsequently he served in a regiment commanded by Colonel Weston and was engaged in the defense of the Hudson River. With his company he was present at the execution of Major Andre, October 2, 1780. After the war he engaged in farming on the eastern slopes of the Green Mountains. Later he removed to Charlemont, Mass., where he died April 2, 1847. His wife survived him twenty-seven years. Longevity is one of the characteristics of the family.

The subject of this sketch is the youngest of ten children, but was the only child born of his father's second marriage. In youth he attended Williston Academy at East Hampton and afterward taught in the public schools. From 1847 until 1853 he was clerk and manager of the steamboat "DeWitt Clinton" on Lake Erie, which also made special trips on other lakes. In December, 1853, he settled in Newark and here engaged as a dealer in live stock, which he marketed in Philadelphia and Baltimore. In that line he conducted an extensive business for many years. In 1860 the firm of Robbins, Wing & Warner was organized by Messrs. Willis Robbins, L. B. Wing and L. K. Warner, and in that way was founded the present institution known as the Franklin Bank Company.

The first money Mr. Wing made in Newark was invested in Illinois property. About 1854 he entered land in Piatt County, that state, and also purchased other land, becoming the owner of one thousand acres in one body. This he improved by erecting good buildings, developing it into a finely cultivated farm, on which his son resided about twelve years. Bement, Ill., is situated on land formerly owned by him, and there he engaged in raising short-horn cattle. Recently he disposed of his farm land at a good price, thus realizing a handsome profit.

In 1855 Mr. Wing married Miss Mary M., daughter of Capt. George Mayhew, of Charlemont, Mass., a lineal descendant in the eighth generation from Thomas Mayhew, the patentee and Governor of Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket. She was born March 25, 1834, and in early life was a pupil in Mr. Wing's school. They have had three children, one of whom died in infancy. Charles Mayhew, the only son, was born August 27, 1838, and received his education in the Ohio State University. During the late war he served as Captain of Company G, Ohio National Guards. For some

time he resided in Illinois, superintending the property there, but at the present time he is a partner in the bank. At Columbus, Ohio, November 8, 1881, he married Alice M., daughter of Hon. Norton S. Townsend, and they have four children, Lucius Arthur, born August 28, 1882; Shirley Townsend, May 1, 1885; Mary Margaret, September 30, 1886; and Alice.

The daughter, Mary La Salle, received an excellent education at a seminary on Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, Ohio. June 17, 1885, she became the wife of Charles R. Shields, and they have four children, Elizabeth Duncan, Mayhew Wing, Mary and Helen. Politically, Mr. Wing is a Republican, and has served as a member of the City Council. He has also been a candidate for the Constitutional Convention, and as State Senator, running ahead of his ticket. Socially, he is a member of the Masonic fraternity and is a Knight Templar. He has been President of the Licking County Agricultural Society, also of the State Board of Agriculture. Identified with the Sons of the American Revolution, he is now Vice-President of the Ohio Division. For thirteen years he has been Trustee of the Ohio State University. Having traveled extensively throughout the United States, he has gained broad information concerning our country, its needs and possibilities, and has also formed a wide acquaintance. For thirty-five years his home has been at No. 103 East Main Street.

HENRY B. RUSLER, manufacturer of spray pumps at Johnstown and one of the leading business men of the place, was born in Liberty Township, Licking County, August 11, 1847, being the son of John and Elizabeth (Barrack) Rusler, who settled in this county in 1843. His father, who was born in Mifflin County, Pa., in November, 1816, was but a small boy when his father died. After his marriage in the Keystone State he came to Ohio, making the trip in wagons and stopping one winter with relatives. In the spring he settled in Liberty Township, where he purchased one hundred and twenty-five acres of land. The property was almost in its primeval condition, entirely destitute of improvements. For some time his home was a log cabin, but in 1847 he built a frame house, thus contributing to the comfort of the family. From time to time he added to his possessions until he became the owner of more than three hundred acres, and this he tilled until his retirement from farm work in April, 1892.

In addition to the raising of cereals John Rusler was for many years an extensive sheep breeder and wool grower, having one of the finest flocks in central Ohio. He was generous with his children, whom he gave money or its equivalent in land on starting out in life. In 1892 he retired from the farm and removed to Johnstown, the immediate cause of his removal being the death of his wife, which occurred on the 4th of July, 1891. He passed from earth August 9, 1893. For some time he was a supporter of the Republican principles, but during the latter part of his life he voted and worked with the Prohibition party. In religion he was leader in the Methodist Episcopal work, a liberal supporter of its enterprises and active in its affairs.

The family of John Rusler consisted of eight children, as follows: Mary, who married Wesley Marshall, of Liberty Township; Margaret, wife of William Wright, of Monroe Township; Sarah, Mrs. Marion Miller, who died at Hartford, in September, 1890; Henry B.; Augusta E., who is married and resides in Granville; John D., of Johnstown; Adda F., also a resident of Johnstown; and William, whose home is in Liberty Township. Our subject attended the schools at Johnstown and Delaware, Ohio, as well as the Commercial College at Pittsburg, and taught four terms of school. Entering the business world, he engaged in the general mercantile line at Johnstown for four years, after which he embarked in the pump business. He was agent for the rubber bucket pump and also dealt in other pumps until 1880, when he patented the Rusler expansion bucket and this he

has since manufactured. He has also purchased the patent of the comet spray pump, in the manufacture of which he engages, having established a national trade.

January 25, 1870, Mr. Rusler married Sarah E., daughter of John O. Jones and a native of McKean Township. The only child born of this union, Ernest D., a bright and promising boy, died December 12, 1878, aged seven years. Politically Mr. Rusler always advocates Democratic doctrines. He is the present Mayor of Johnstown and has served for seven years as Clerk, also for some time as Justice of the Peace. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Socially he is connected with the Masonic fraternity, being Past Master of Center Lodge No. 326, also Past Chancellor of White Cross Lodge, K. P.

CHARLES STOOLFIRE, an agriculturist of Union Township, was born in Washington County, Pa., November 14, 1834, and is the son of Jacob and Isabel (Rodgers) Stoolfire, both natives of the same county as that in which his birth occurred. The father was born August 4, 1805, and died July 25, 1890; the mother, whose natal day was April 16, 1815, passed from earth December 14, 1888. They were married in Washington County, and thence in 1836 came to Licking County. The father bringing with him $3,000, purchased large tracts of land, becoming the owner of one thousand acres. While he devoted some attention to general farming, it was as a wool grower that he was especially known. Of this specialty he made a great success. His herd was widely known as "black top" sheep, and were commonly said to be "honest" sheep; that is, there was no oiling of the wool nor any special preparation of fleeces. He also raised cattle and hogs, and from his various enterprises gained large and valuable possessions.

Of the children of Jacob and Isabel Stoolfire we note the following: Elizabeth is the wife of Israel Rees; Mary Catherine married Benjamin Jones and resides on one of her father's farms in Kirkersville; Clarinda married and died leaving one child, B. R. Jones, who now lives on the old Stoolfire homestead; Francis Marion owns a farm in Union Township, and is engaged in business at Columbus; Lorena, who is unmarried, resides with her sister, Mrs. Rees. The Stoolfire family originated in Germany, whence our subject's great-grandfather emigrated to America. On his mother's side our subject is of German and Irish ancestry.

After completing the studies of the common schools, our subject entered Bethany College, in West Virginia, and there remained one year, being under the tutorship of Alexander Campbell, whose name is inseparably connected with the early history of the Disciples' Church. He was given excellent educational advantages, as indeed were all the children. His sister, Elizabeth, was graduated from Pleasant Hill Female Seminary in Pennsylvania, and the other sisters also attended that institution. Francis Marion was a student in an academy at Pleasantville, Ohio.

The life occupation of Mr. Stoolfire has been that of an agriculturist, and he has always made his home upon his present farm. He is the owner of three farms, aggregating about six hundred acres. His home farm comprises two hundred and twenty-two acres of as fine land as the fertile valley of the Licking affords. Upon this there is a commodious brick residence built after a modern style of architecture. There are also substantial barns and other necessary conveniences.

March 31, 1859, Mr. Stoolfire was united in marriage with Miss Emily E. Sprague, a native of Hamilton County, Ohio, her parents having come hither from New York. Four daughters bless this union, Lillian Rosalie, Lucy, Florence and Helen Victoria. The three eldest were educated at Ada, Ohio, and the youngest is now a student in Hiram College. Lucy married George T. Cully, a son of William J. Cully, of this township, he being a railroad contractor with headquarters at Muncie, Ind. Florence is the wife of Cary Swisher, son of John Swisher, an extensive dairyman of Union Township.

For many years a stanch Republican, Mr. Stoolfire voted for every Republican Presidential can-

didate from J. C. Fremont to Benjamin Harrison. Recently, however, he has transferred his allegiance to the new populistic movement, which he believes will subserve the interests of the Government better than the old party has done. It is a fact worthy of note, that no member of the Stoolfire family has ever been identified with a secret society. They are without exception people of upright, honorable lives, energetic dispositions, and enjoy the confidence of the people of the county.

EUGENE S. BEECHER. Upon the old homestead where he was born Mr. Beecher is actively engaged in farming enterprises, and being an intelligent and capable agriculturist he has met with more than usual success in his calling. His farm consists of one hundred and twenty acres, devoted to the raising of grain and pasturage of stock. The buildings are neat and substantial, the soil fertile and the land well improved, the place being numbered among the valuable farms of Union Township,

In noting the history of the Beecher family, we find that Beri, father of our subject, was born in York State March 19, 1812. About 1836, accompanied by his family, he came to Licking County and settled upon a farm in Union Township, where for many years he engaged in the tilling of the soil. In 1880 he removed to Granville, and for a time lived in that village, retired. At the present time (1894) he makes his home in Harrison Township, and is quite active for one of his advanced years. His wife, who bore the maiden name of Lucy Gray, was born in York State, and died in Union Township in 1859.

The family of Beri Beecher consisted of five children, as follows: Edwin, deceased; Helen, who is the wife of Henry Palmerton; Grace, who married Edwin Featherstone; Eugene, of this sketch, and Justus, deceased. The only surviving son, our subject, was born in Union Township January 18, 1846, and here he has always resided. His advantages in youth were somewhat limited, but being a man of acute perception and sound common sense he has been able to overcome the lack of early advantages, and is now well informed.

In Union Township, on the 21st of October, 1869, occurred the marriage of Eugene S. Beecher and Miss Elizabeth Cain. This highly esteemed lady was born in Union Township, of which her father, the late John Cain, was for many years a resident, his death occurring here. One son has blessed the union of Mr. and Mrs. Beecher, George S., a well educated and capable young man.

Progressive, public spirited and energetic, Mr. Beecher gives due attention to every project calculated to promote the welfare of the people, or develop the vast resources of the county. Educational, philanthropic and commercial projects are sure to enlist his hearty support, and he favors everything that will aid in the development of the county. In religious affiliations Mr. Beecher is a Presbyterian, having been a consistent member of that denomination since the age of about eleven years. For several years he has officiated as an Elder in the church, of which his wife is also an active member.

THOMAS M. NORRIS, JR., whose valuable property is situated in Fallsbury Township, was born January 30, 1852, and is a son of Thomas M. and Maria (Phillips) Norris, natives of Pennsylvania. The family of which he is a member consisted of twelve children, five of whom are now living, the others besides our subject being, Levi, whose home is in Coshocton County; Sarah, also a resident of Coshocton County; Mary, the widow of John Graham, and Isaac, the two latter also residing in Coshocton County.

The early boyhood years of our subject were spent upon his father's farm. He attended the common schools until he was nineteen, after which he took a two years' course at West Bedford, Ohio.

December 28, 1871, he married Elizabeth A., daughter of Daniel and Jane (Fowall) McKee. She was one of seven children born to her parents, one of whom died in childhood. The others are, John W., a resident of Hardin County; William, living in Coshocton County; Thomas, also a resident of Coshocton County; Daniel, of Licking County; Ella, now the wife of Adolphus Chaney, of Muskingum County. Mr. and Mrs. Norris have had eight children, one of whom died in infancy. Ora J., Floyd, Stella, Flora E., Grace M., Graver R. and Nina F. are at home with their parents.

The farm occupied and owned by Mr. Norris consists of one hundred acres with all modern improvements. He has always been a Democrat in political opinions and uses his influence for that party. With his wife he holds membership in the Methodist Church.

JOHN D. MOREHEAD, the owner of a small but well improved farm, and one of the representative agriculturists of the county, was born May 20, 1855. He is the son of Charles W. and Mahala (McMullen) Morehead, the father a native of Virginia and the mother born in Ohio. There are but two children in the family: John D. and George G., the latter being a resident of Hopewell Township. The boyhood years of our subject were passed in the immediate locality of his birth in Perry County, Ohio, and he was the recipient of excellent educational advantages, spending the winter months at his studies, while the summers were devoted to the tilling of the soil.

At the age of nineteen Mr. Morehead left the parental roof and began life's struggles for himself. For two years he was in the employ of a Mr. Franks and being of an economical, ambitious nature he saved his earnings and at the age of twenty-one established domestic ties. September 3, 1876, he married Rebecca, daughter of Elwood and Keziah (Shaw) Clemmings, of Muskingum County, Ohio. Having saved more than $300 he rented a sixty acre tract of farm land, which he stocked and furnished with the necessary improvements. This property was situated in Bowling Green Township. From that beginning he has steadily with great persistence and energy, worked his way upward to a prominent rank among the farmers of the county. Having received some money from his father's estate in 1882, he purchased fifty acres comprising his present homestead. Here he is prospering in a most satisfactory manner.

Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Morehead, all of whom are under the parental roof, as follows: Luella, George Frederic, Charles R., William Edgar and Mary Ida. In the leading issues of the day our subject takes an active interest. In local affairs he votes for the man rather than the party. He is at present serving his second term as Township Trustee has also occupied other minor offices. Identified with the Baptist Church, he and his wife are earnest and consistent Christians, and are sincere in the discharge of their religious obligations. The family is highly respected wherever known, and is one of influence in social circles.

HIRAM B. HUGHES. Among those who have been active in developing the agricultural resources of the county, and who have materially promoted its rise and progress, may be mentioned the name of Mr. Hughes, of Eden Township. While his farm is not one of the largest in this locality, it is as well improved as the majority, and its two hundred and fifty acres are under a high state of cultivation. By years of application to his occupation and by much arduous labor, he has gained a solid financial footing, and his landed possessions will doubtless be increased as time goes by.

The subject of this notice is the eldest of the four children comprising the family of George and

Amanda (Bell) Hughes, and was born on the home farm in Eden Township, February 20, 1852. He was reared to man's estate in Eden Township, where his entire life has been passed, with the exception of five years spent in Knox County. Upon selecting a vocation, he chose that of agriculture, with which he was most familiar, and to this he has devoted his exclusive attention. His mother died in Eden Township about 1865, after having borne her husband four children, Hiram B., Hugh, Ida and John D., deceased.

In Washington Township, on the 23d of February, 1871, was solemnized the marriage of Hiram B. Hughes and Miss Mary Stone, a native of that township, and the daughter of the late Jacob and Johanna Stone. They have established a pleasant home on their farm and are highly regarded by their neighbors and friends. Mr. Hughes is wide-awake in regard to the political movements of the day, and earnestly espouses the doctrines and policy of the Republican party, taking an active part in local affairs and supporting the candidates of that political organization. In religious belief he is connected with the Disciples' Church.

CHARLES H. STIMSON, M. D.

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CHARLES H. STIMSON, M. D. No member of the medical profession of Licking County has gained greater distinction in other portions of the state and nation than has Dr. Stimson, of Newark. He is now in the prime of life, and it may safely be predicted that future years will add to the honors the past has brought him. A resident of Newark since October, 1875, in the years that have since come and gone he has by his unaided efforts won his way to fortune and success. His honorable career is well worthy of emulation by the youth of to-day who are starting out in the world with no capital, as all that he has and all that he is he owes to his own indomitable energy and devotion to his profession.

Referring to the ancestry of our subject, we find that his grandfather, Dr. Stimson, was one of the first physicians of Ohio, and practiced his profession at Marietta, Granville and Worthington. He advocated and followed the botanic school of medicine and gave his undivided attention to professional duties, having patients in every direction, covering a radius of nearly one hundred miles. His family consisted of six daughters and seven sons. Without exception his sons all became physicians and all continued in the practice of this profession except one, who engaged in the merchant-tailoring business at Columbus. They were all graduates of the Cincinnati Medical Institute and were successful practitioners.

The father of our subject, Charles H. Stimson, M. D., read medicine under his father's preceptorship, and later was graduated from the medical college at Cincinnati. For thirty-five years he engaged in practice at Athens, Worthington, Alexandria and Newark, Ohio, dying in the latter city in 1885, aged fifty-four years. He and his first wife, whose maiden name was Melissa Dean, had one child, our subject. The wife and mother died in 1859, and subsequently the father married Miss Bettie Sherman, of Granville, the daughter of William Sherman, one of the pioneers of Licking County. One daughter blessed this union, Emma, the wife of Edson B. Dennis, of Newark. Our subject's father was for a time associated with Professor Rarey, a noted horseman, who imported and trained blooded animals. In politics he was a Republican, and in his social connections was identified with the Royal Arch Masons.

Born at Albany, N. Y., February 14, 1857, the subject of this notice was reared in Ohio, and for some time was a student in the Ohio University at Athens, graduating in the Class of 1872. Afterward he read medicine with his father and for one year attended lectures in the Eclectic Medical College of Cincinnati. Later he spent his years at

Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia, graduating from that institution. The ensuing two years were spent at the Bellevue Hospital Medical College, of New York City, and after his graduation therefrom he was for eighteen months a physician in the Charity Hospital on Blackwell's Island.

At once after leaving the hospital, Dr. Stimson settled in Newark, where he has since conducted an extensive practice. He is the present surgeon for the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad and affiliates with the National Association of Railway Surgeons, as well as the Ohio State Medical Society. Not long since he was appointed lecturer on Dermatology in the Chicago Medical College. His office is commodious and well appointed, and such are the demands of his profession that, to facilitate the work and afford every accommodation to patients and friends, he employs eight young ladies, including a bookkeeper, assistant bookkeeper, stenographer and typewriter. In addition to his residence property in Newark, he owns some valuable real estate in Columbus and Indianapolis.

November 7, 1889, the Doctor married Miss Etta, the adopted daughter of J. V. Burner, of this city. Mrs. Stimson was born in Newark and was a mere child when her parents died, after which she was adopted into the family of Mr. Burner. In politics the Doctor is a Republican and socially is a thirty-second degree Mason. While liberal in his religious views, he frequently attends the Second Presbyterian Church, with which his wife is identified, and is liberal in his contributions to religious and benevolent enterprises.

MUNSON MONROE, a member of a family that has given the United States a President as well as many honorable private citizens and eminent statesmen, was born in Bloomfield, N. J., November 7, 1836. He is the son of Silas and Eliza (Vreeland) Monroe, the former a native of Connecticut and the lattre born in New Jersey. In the family there were eleven children, nine sons and two daughters, of whom five are living at the present time: Charles, Silas, Theodore, Horace and Munson.

In early life the father of our subject was a shoemaker by occupation, but after coming to Licking County in 1837, he settled in Jersey Township and purchased fifty acres, to the cultivation of which he gave his attention. He added to the original purchase as opportunity was afforded him, until the time of his demise he was the owner of three hundred acres bearing all the modern improvements and a number of substantial farm buildings. He died in Jersey Township in 1857, at the age of sixty-five years. In religious belief he was a member of the Presbyterian Church. His wife survived him until 1880, when she died at the age of eighty-four years lacking fourteen days.

The paternal grandfather of our subject, Benjamin Monroe, was born in Connecticut and there his death occurred at the age of about seventy years. He was in the Revolutionary War and a cooper by trade. He was the second cousin of President Monroe. Our subject's maternal grandfather, Peter Vreeland, was born in New Jersey and was a hero of the Revolution, in which he served for five years. He followed the trade of a carpenter until his death, which occurred in New Jersey.

The subject of this sketch has been a resident of Jersey Township fifty-seven years. He remained with his parents until they died, and began for himself by buying a hog and speculating. When a youth of eighteen he bought fifty acres, for which he had completed the payment by the time he attained his majority. On the 18th of of October, 1872, he married Miss Annie Amanda, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth McOwen. Three children were born to them: Jennie, Bessie and Bertha, and the wife and mother died in January, 1879. October 18, 1884, occurred the marriage of Mr. Monroe to Miss Jennie, daughter of Jacob and Rebecca Sell.

The political questions of the age receive due consideration from Mr. Monroe, who, while not active as a partisan, is always devoted to the principles of the Republican party. At present he is

engaged in the cultivation of one thousand acres, all of which, under his capable supervision, is productive and remunerative. He is one of the citizens who have contributed to the progress of Jersey Township along the line of agricultural development, and his labors have resulted in the advancement of the community.

ALLEN SWISHER, who follows the occupation of an agriculturist, was born in Franklin Township upon the farm where he now lives, the date of his birth being May 7, 1850. His parents, Alvey and Sarah (Franks) Swisher, were natives of Ohio, the former born in Licking County in 1826, and the latter in Perry County in 1820. Farming has been the life work of the father, and both he and his wife are living on the farm where their married years have been busily and happily spent.

In the parental family there were eight children, of whom Allen was the third in order of birth. Five children are now living and of these he is the eldest. Lucina, who is unmarried, resides with her parents; Naomi, wife of H. Elmer Dusthimer, resides near Linnville, Licking County; Ella is the wife of A. G. Patterson, of Newark; Vara is at home. The parents are of German ancestry, but both families have been represented in America for several generations.

Attaining a good knowledge of the common branches in the public schools, our subject has supplemented the information there obtained by careful reading and observation, and he is today a man well informed on the current topics of importance. On attaining his majority he began the life of an agriculturist, in which he has since engaged. June 12, 1873, he was united in marriage with Miss Harriett E., daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Frederick) Bline, natives of Virginia, who removed to Licking County soon after their marriage. Her grandparents on both sides were natives of Germany.

Mrs. Swisher is one of eleven children, of whom nine are now living. Mary, the widow of Salma Abbott, resides in Crawford County, Ill.; John W. also makes his home in Crawford County; Sophia is married and lives in Alexandria, Ohio; David B. resides at Vanatta, this state; Andrew J. makes his home in Chatham; and Thomas J. lives in Vanatta, this county; Rebecca, now Mrs. Hankinson, also resides in Vanatta; and Jacob lives in Chatham. The brothers are farmers, which was the life occupation of their father. Mrs. Swisher was the youngest member of the family circle and received excellent educational advantages. She is the mother of one child, Myrtha A., who was born November 3, 1875, received a good education in the public schools and developed considerable ability as a musician and artist. September 4, 1893, she became the wife of Benton Hurst, and they live on a farm adjoining that of her parents.

In public affairs Mr. Swisher is active and influential, and a Democrat in opinion gives his support to the principles of that party. He has filled various official positions and is now serving his eleventh year as Trustee of his township. He owns a farm of two hundred and twenty-four acres of well improved land, and also has a small tract of land apart from the farm. By careful rotation of crops and proper fertilization of the soil he has been enabled to secure the best possible results from every acre of ground.

ALONZO M. ILES, who conducts general agricultural pursuits in Bennington Township, is a representative of the first white family that settled in this locality. His great-grandfather, Henry Iles, who was born in England in 1749, was the first to establish the family name in Licking County. During the Revolutionary

War he emigrated to America and afterward married Miss Mary M. Stine, who was born near Reading, Pa., in 1764. He died in Licking County in 1814, and his wife passed away in 1832. They were the parents of several children, but only two, George and Frederick, made a home in this county.

George, who was born in 1803, was united in marriage in 1826 with Miss Elizabeth Wiant, who was born in Orange County, N. Y., in 1809 and died in 1866. He passed away in 1871. They had no children, and at his death, among other munificent bequests, he donated a fund of $1,500 to the Bennington Methodist Episcopal Chapel of Bennington Township, to be administered by three trustees who were to serve for life—the fund to be perpetuated. Frederick, brother of George, married Miss Hannah Conard, of Licking County, and their only child, Alex, was born here in 1818. In 1844 he married Miss Martha Milligan, of Monroe Township, and their union resulted in the birth of four children, of whom the subject of this sketch is the eldest.

Alonzo M. Iles was born in Bennington Township, February 13, 1846, and married Miss Esther, daughter of E. G. Rice, of Licking County. The other members of the family are: Delano, who married Miss Sarah, daughter of Jesse Harris, of Licking County; Emma, Mrs. Noah Dumbauld, also of this county; and Alice B., the wife of William Moore. The entire life of our subject has been spent in the immediate locality of his birth and he is one of the progressive agriculturists of the township, owning a farm of one hundred and seventy acres, a portion of which was inherited. He has a beautiful home, where abound comfort and luxury. Socially he is an intelligent and companionable gentleman. He is also industrious, and though he does not ask a hired man to do more work in a day than he, yet his active labors are more from force of habit than necessity.

To Mr. and Mrs. Iles one son was born, now a young man twenty-one years of age. He was educated primarily in the public schools of the district, and afterward at Ada (Ohio) Normal Academy. A bright, intelligent young man, he is a school teacher by occupation and is entering the arena of active life with fair prospects for the future. July 1, 1890, the wife and mother passed away. She was a devoted member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and her memory is cherished as an exemplary wife and mother. The present wife of our subject was Mrs. Mary E. (Miller) Harris, of Knox County, Ohio, whose former husband, Rev. Jackson Harris, was a prominent minister in the Christian Church. Socially Mr. Iles belongs to Center Lodge No. 326, A. F. & A. M., at Johnstown, and politically he advocates Republican principles. He holds membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church, while his wife is identified with the Christian Church, which she joined prior to her first marriage.

GEORGE BOMGARDNER, County Commissioner and a representative farmer of Union Township, was born in Lancaster County, Pa., September 20, 1826. His parents were of German ancestry and bore the names of Matthias and Mary (Brogley) Bomgardner. They emigrated from Switzerland to America, and for a time sojourned in Lancaster County, Pa., but from there removed to Fairfield County, Ohio, in 1833, later settling in Allen County, this state, where they died.

There were eight children in the parental family, of whom George was next to the youngest. Only four are now living. In the common schools of Fairfield and Allen Counties our subject gained a practical education that fitted him for the successful management of business affairs. Establishing domestic ties in 1848, he married Miss Jemima Puffer, a native of Fairfield County, Ohio. Eight children were born of this union, of whom the eldest, Annie J., died in infancy. The others are as follows: Annie, who married James Dodson and resides in Licking County; Mary, wife of James Holler, of this county; John, unmarried and now in Arkansas; Henry and Amanda, who died in childhood; Eliza J., who became the wife of Jo-

seph Oldecker, of Hebron; and Lemuel, who married Miss Mary Kelsey and resides in Hebron.

Though active in politics, Mr. Bomgardner is not of the radical type, and concedes to others the freedom of opinion and action which he claims in the exercise of his own elective franchise. He is now serving his second term as Commissioner of Licking County, to which office he was elected by the Democrats, though his supporters were not limited to the members of that party. For six years he has held the position of Assessor of Union Township, and also served for seven years in the capacity of Township Trustee. His abilities eminently qualify him for the successful and efficient discharge of public duties, and in the various local offices held by him he has displayed sound judgment and tact.

In his social connections Mr. Bomgardner has been identified with Hebron Lodge No. 116, A. F. & A. M., for about twenty-one years, and during fifteen years of this time he has held the position of Treasurer of his lodge. His wife is a member of the Disciples' Church, to which he contributes, and which he attends, though not a member. As a citizen he has proved worthy of the confidence reposed in him, and as an official he is popular and efficient.

JOHN WILLIAM SHAW, a farmer, stock-raiser and dairyman of Madison Township, was born here on the 9th of September, 1855, being the youngest son of William and Mary A. (Stump) Shaw, both of whom are natives of Ohio. The family was identified with the history of Pennsylvania prior to coming to the Buckeye State. John William is one of a family of two sons and three daughters, concerning whom the following is noted: Daniel, the eldest son, married Angie Wiley and resides on an adjoining farm; Catherine is the wife of Herbert Atherton, Commissioner of Licking County and a resident of Newark; Matilda first married Elisha W. Gutridge, by whom she had two children, and after his death she became the wife of William Mossman, this union resulting in the birth of three children; and Ettie is the wife of Robert Wraman and lives in Madison Township.

After completing the studies of the home school, the subject of this sketch entered the Utica Normal School, where he fitted himself for the profession of a teacher. Later he spent one year in Lebanon University. Entering upon his chosen work of a teacher, he was thus engaged for ten years, meeting with good success as an instructor. However, failing health necessitated a change of occupation, and accordingly he exchanged the quiet indoor life of a teacher for the active, health-giving occupation of an agriculturist. Having inherited a fine farm, he was able to conduct his work successfully from the start.

The lady who in 1884 became the wife of John William Shaw was Miss Lizzie Macklin, of Henry County, Ohio. She was born in Lancaster, this state, received an excellent education in Henry County, and engaged in teaching for a number of years prior to her marriage. She is the daughter of George W. and Sarah (Shannon) Macklin, the former of whom was for many years an agriculturist, and is now in the dairy business in Madison Township. Mrs. Shaw is one of a family that consisted of three daughters and one son. By her union she has had three children: Harry, Eva and Homer C.

Mr. Shaw has led a busy and useful life. He is the owner of one hundred and forty acres, the greater portion of which is devoted to pasturage and the dairying interest. He breeds thoroughbred Jerseys for sale and use in the dairy business, the original stock having come from the Shelburne farms at Shelburne, Vt. At present he has on the place about twenty-five head of cattle, and from the sale of butter and milk realizes a handsome profit. The Eureka Dairy Farm, as the place is called, is well adapted to the business, as excellent springs of water are conveniently distributed and every improvement has been introduced that will add to the comfort of the family.

While voting the Democratic ticket, Mr. Shaw has never been active in matters of political import, but has preferred to devote his attention ex-

clusively to his private interests. In religious connections he and his wife are members of the Christian Union Church. An intelligent and energetic gentleman, he possesses the confidence of the people and merits the prosperity that has attended his business enterprises.

GEORGE W. ELLIS. The honest and industrious class of agriculturists form the bone and sinew from which the body politic is made. This is the element upon which we must depend not only for a healthful growth in country communities, but also for the best material of which our great financiers are to be made. A city which depends upon a prosperous and intelligent farming community has before it years of prosperity, which it would sink into hopeless disaster without that source from which to draw. We therefore take great pleasure in describing the homes and lives of the sturdy agriculturists who make up the bulk of the community throughout the broad country.

One of this class is George W. Ellis, of McKean Township. He is a son of James B. Ellis, a native of Bath, Steuben County, N. Y., born May 20, 1822, and a member of a long established New England family. At the age of thirteen years he came to Ohio and settled in Seneca County, where he was reared to the life of a farmer. Though with few advantages, he was well informed and enjoyed a wide reputation as a public speaker. In early life a Whig, upon the disintegration of that party he united with the newly organized Republican party, with which he was identified until his death. He was a man who advocated temperance both by precept and example. In religious belief he was Congregationalist.

On the 5th of April, 1849, James B. Ellis was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth A. P. Ingraham, who was born near Union Station, in Union Township, Licking County, March 24, 1826. She was a daughter of Allen H. and Mary (Horn) Ingraham, both Virginians and early settlers of Union Township, having come hither about 1807. Mr. and Mrs. Ellis became the parents of three children, of whom the subject of this notice is the only survivor, the other two dying in childhood. The father died at his home one mile west of Fredonia, March 28, 1857. In December, 1860, his widow was united with Jacob Anderson, a native of Maryland, who died February 20, 1879.

The birth of our subject occurred January 9, 1850. His education was gained in the common schools, and he has always followed agricultural pursuits. At the age of eighteen he began the independent career of a farmer upon the place where he now lives. December 21, 1871, he married Miss Allie S., daughter of F. O. and Emily A. Chrysler, and a native of McKean Township. They have three children, all of whom are at home, Hora F., James F. and Wilfred B.

Mr. Ellis is interested in all that concerns the welfare of his community and is a decided Democrat in his political views. He takes a lively interest in the public schools and has served as Director of Schools for a period of nine years. He has also officiated as Trustee of the township. His farm, which is in a desirable locality, is well managed, and is devoted to the raising of cereals and stock, in the latter department a specialty being made of Jersey cattle.

JOHN W. GARDNER. A gallant soldier in the Civil War, in which he won a military record justly merited by his valor, Mr. Gardner has since turned his attention to agriculture, and has made a success of the vocation which Horace Greeley aptly styled the "noblest of professions." In Fallsbury Township he owns and super-

intends the cultivation of a farm of two hundred and forty acres. Since it came into his possession he has greatly increased its value by the many excellent improvements he has made, including the substantial set of farm buildings.

The parents of our subject, George and Sarah (Hoover) Gardner, were natives of Ohio, and reared a family of seven children, all of whom are now living, the others besides our subject being as follows: Melissa, wife of James R. Reed and a resident of Fallsbury Township; Mary, Mrs. Jabez Stoggers, living in Perry Township; George W., for some time a resident of Coshocton County, but now living in Licking County; Rachel, who is her father's housekeeper at the parental home in Fallsbury Township; Sarah, who married Wesley Freese, of Perry Township, and Joseph T., who lives in Fallsbury Township.

Born April 5, 1843, our subject was reared upon the home farm and was early inured to hard labor. The lessons of industry and self-reliance that he learned in youth have remained with him throughout the succeeding years, and have proved important factors in his success. His educational advantages were limited to such information as was offered in the district schools. At the age of nineteen he entered the service of his country, enlisting in Company A, Seventy-sixth Ohio Infantry, and serving for a period of four years. Among the engagements in which he participated were those at Ft. Donelson, Shiloh, Corinth, Memphis, Vicksburg, Raleigh, N. C., Columbia, S. C., and the four days' battle at Atlanta. Three times he was wounded, and as a partial compensation for injuries received the Government has granted him a pension of $8 per month.

The lady who on the first day of the year 1869 became the wife of Mr. Gardner was known in her maidenhood as Lenora Denman. Seven children have blessed their union, all of whom still survive. Frederick, the eldest, is a resident of Licking County; Carrie, who married Samuel Wince, lives in Perry Township; Edward is married and lives in Fallsbury Township; Minnie, Bertha, Alva and Roy reside beneath the parental roof. Mrs. Gardner is a daughter of the late P. R. Denman and a member of one of the oldest and best families of Licking County.

Mr. Gardner has taken an active interest in political affairs, and uses his influence in behalf of the Republican party. In his social connections he is a member of Evans Post No. 668, at Perryton, Licking County. While he is not identified with any denomination, his life has been that of a scrupulously honest, moral and upright man.

REV. JOHN CALVIN BOYD. A list of those who have labored unweariedly and with cheerful self-sacrifice for the promotion of the spiritual welfare of the people of Licking County would necessarily include the name of Rev. Mr. Boyd, who held the pastorate of the Covenanter Church at Utica from 1850 until 1884. He was a man of recognized ability, a devoted and close student of the Scriptures, and one who furnished by his noble life an excellent illustration of the precepts he instilled in the hearts of his congregations.

Born in Steubenville, Ohio, our subject was the son of Robert Boyd, a native of the North of Ireland, who emigrating to the United States at the age of nineteen, soon afterward engaged in teaching in Western Pennsylvania and Ohio. He and his wife, whose maiden name was Mary McMasters, and who was born in the North of Ireland, settled in Steubenville, Ohio, and there our subject was reared, gaining the rudiments of his education under the tutelage of his father. After teaching school for a time, he attended college at Oxford, and later studied theology in the Reformed Presbyterian Seminary at Cincinnati. When that institution was removed to Pittsburg, Pa., he went to that city and completed the course of study there.

After having been licensed to preach, Rev. Mr. Boyd engaged in missionary work in Ohio, Indi-

ana, Michigan and Illinois, traveling annually about three thousand miles. Upon retiring from that work he settled in Crawford County, and at the same time he had charge of the church in Utica. In 1856 he settled in this city and devoted his entire attention to church work. He was a very strict adherent to the creed of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, and was held in high esteem by its synod. He was married in 1850, and his union resulted in the birth of one daughter. His death, June 3, 1886, was deeply mourned, not alone by relatives and the congregation to which he had so long ministered, but also by all the citizens of Utica, irrespective of religious beliefs.

WASHINGTON J. HENDERSON. The success which has attended the efforts of this gentleman during the twenty-two years covering the period of his residence in Newark is such as to prove conclusively the possession of excellent business qualifications on his part. Becoming a resident of Newark in 1872, he entered the employ of the Baltimore & Ohio Railway Company and for a time worked on repairs. He was lumber agent for the road and later had charge of car repairing. Upon embarking in business for himself, he opened a plumbing and steam fitting establishment, in which for some time he was associated with his son, William A., who is a practical mechanic. In 1891 he became sole proprietor of the business, which he now conducts in addition to the manufacture of awnings and tents.

Washington J., the son of Charles and Jane (Moffatt) Henderson, was born near Zanesville, Muskingum County, Ohio, January 10, 1842. His father was born in the North of Ireland of Scotch-Irish descent about 1808. When sixteen years old he left his native land, accompanied by his sister, and came to the United States. They never afterward heard from their relatives on the Emerald Isle. The sister married Charles Stewart and settled in Bremen, Ohio. In 1811 Charles Henderson came to Ohio and settled in Muskingum County. After coming to this country, and before locating in Ohio, he married in Pennsylvania a Miss Doniker, who died in Muskingum County, after having had nine children. Of this family only two attained mature years: Mary, the deceased wife of Stephen Carns, and John, a retired farmer residing near Zanesville, and now (1894) eighty-three years old.

The second marriage of Charles Henderson united him with Jane Moffatt, who was born in Pennsylvania, but at the time of her marriage lived in Muskingum County, Ohio. Nine children were born to this union, of whom seven attained years of maturity. Matilda married William Huffman, of Zanesville; Rebecca, deceased, was the wife of Robert Stuart; Sarah, who married Andrew Maloney, died in Muskingum County; Agnes became the wife of Frech Shamblin and resides in Muskingum County; Thompson is car inspector for the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad; Cynthia, who became the wife of Rev. A. H. Amrine, of Bridgeport, Ohio, is deceased. The father was a farmer by occupation and became the owner of a valuable farm upon which his life was ended at the age of eighty-six.

The next to the youngest child of the father's second marriage is the subject of this notice, who resided on the home farm until nineteen, meantime attending the common schools. Upon leaving the farm he served as the employe of the United States Government for twenty-two months, working as a carpenter. For eighteen years he was in the employ of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company, commencing as a carpenter. While filling the position of car inspector he went daily to Junction City for two years, his purpose being to inspect cars received from the Ohio Central Railroad for the Baltimore & Ohio.

The first marriage of Mr. Henderson united him with Sarah E., daughter of William Winn, of Muskingum County. At her death she left six children, viz.: Eury E., the wife of John Freeman and a resident of Newark; William A., a plumber; Leafy, wife of Harry Fordyce, of Newark; Bertha, Walter and Edna. The present wife of Mr. Hen-

derson bore the maiden name of Clara A. Abmyer and was a daughter of Isaac Abmyer, of Summerfield, Ohio, where she was born. One child has blessed this union, a daughter, Ruth.

Politically Mr. Henderson is a Democrat, and at the age of twenty-one he was elected Township Clerk, in which capacity he served for two terms. Later he filled the position of Justice of the Peace for one term. Twice he was elected a member of the Board of Education of Newark, of which he has been both clerk and president. At the age of twenty-one he was made a Mason and is now Past Master of Newark Lodge No. 97, A. F. & A. M., Past High Priest of Warren Chapter No. 6, R. A. M., and is a Knight Templar. He also affiliates with Golden Rule Lodge No. 100, A. O. U. W. His residence is a commodious and well appointed structure at No. 425 East Main street.

DENISON UNIVERSITY. Intimately associated with the progress of Ohio, with the development of its material resources, has been the attention devoted to the cultivation of the intellect and the development of the powers of the mind. Among the institutions of learning that have contributed to the mental progress of the people few are more widely known throughout the state than the Denison University of Granville. This is one of the olders educational institutions of the state, having been founded in 1831.

The movement resulting in the establishment of the University originated in the minds of a few prominent Baptists, who succeeded in interesting the Ohio Baptist Educational Society in the project. A farm of two hundred acres on the Columbus road, a mile and a-half west of Granville was offered as the site for the institution, and the offer being accepted, buildings were soon afterward erected, and in October, 1831, Rev. John Pratt, of South Reading, Mass., was invited to become Principal of the school. He accepted the invitation and opened the school on the 13th of December following.

The large building upon the farm was enlarged and remodeled, and when just completed was destroyed by fire, in May, 1832. A new structure was erected on the site of the old one, at a cost of $5,000, and in this the school was opened December 17, 1832. During the first quarter thirty-seven students were in attendance, the eldest of whom was thirty-seven and the youngest eight. At the opening of the second collegiate year Professor Pratt was joined by Pascal Carter, of South Reading, Mass., who was connected with the institution the ensuing twenty years, while Professor Pratt remained for twenty-eight years.

What is now Denison University was incorporated under the laws of the state of Ohio, by the Legislature thereof, February 3, 1832, under the name of the "Granville Literary and Theological Institution." In January, 1845, the name was changed to Granville College, and this was changed June 25, 1856, to the name now borne. It was so named in honor of William Denison, of Adamsville, Ohio, in accordance with an early vote of the Trustees that the first donor of $10,000 or more to the institution should have the privilege of naming it.

The University was moved from the farm to its present site in 1856. The buildings are located on a beautiful hill less than a-half mile from the public square. The grounds cover twenty-four acres, of which almost one-half is a grove of old forest trees. The University buildings contain study and dormitory rooms for one hundred and seventy-eight students, and chapel, recitation rooms and other rooms for general use. Five buildings are now owned by the University, namely: College Hall, containing chapel, lecture room, laboratories and dormitories; Academy Hall, containing literary society halls, recitation rooms and dormitories; Doane Hall, containing a finely equipped library; Barney Memorial Hall, the finest science building in the state; the President's residence, a comfortable frame structure; and Granville Academy, originally organized as a preparatory department to the University, but in 1887 merged into a sep-

arate school. The original frame college building is used as a gymnasium. The faculty contains men of eminent abilities in their varied departments, and the University justly ranks among the most prominent institutions in the state.

JACOB VANDENBARK, a general farmer of Hanover Township, was born in Licking Township, Muskingum County, Ohio, September 27, 1832, and is the son of Gersham and Mary (Beard) Vandenbark, both of whom were natives of New Jersey. They came to Muskingum County in 1801 with their respective parents and were married and spent their remaining years there, the father following the occupation of an agriculturist. He was the first to pass from earth, and his wife followed him seven years after his demise.

There were six children in the parental family, all of whom married and became the heads of families, but only two are now living, Jacob and Mary, Mrs. Reuben Knight. Under the parental roof our subject was reared to manhood, giving his father the benefit of his services until he attained his majority. In boyhood he attended the district schools whenever the opportunity was afforded, and spending the vacations in farm work, early gained a thorough comprehension of agricultural duties. When the time came to choose a life occupation, he naturally selected the one with which he was most familiar, and to agriculture he has since devoted his attention.

February 27, 1855, occurred the marriage of Mr. Vandenbark to Miss Helen Virginia Bealmear, who was born in Muskingum County, August 31, 1838. Her parents, Dr. Thomas and Susan (Shipley) Bealmear, were natives of Baltimore, Md., but came to Muskingum County at an early day, and there the father engaged in the practice of the medical profession until his death. To Mr. and Mrs. Vandenbark ten children have been born, nine of whom are living. Rosa, who became the wife of Randolph Brown, died in 1879, after having had two children. Flora is the wife of Z. H. McKnight, of Perry Township, and the mother of three children. Ollie, now Mrs. Newton C. Smith, lives in Zanesville, Ohio, and has four children. Thomas, of Granville Township, married Miss Bessie Barnes and has four children. Emma became the wife of Jasper Siler, of Newark, and they have three children. Ella, wife of William Smart and mother of three children, lives in Indianapolis, where Mr. Smart is in the employ of a railroad company. Mattie is the wife of E. P. Stone, Jr., of Columbus, Ohio, and they are the parents of three children. Jacob, Jr., is unmarried and manages the home farm. Carrie is the wife of Frank Richards, a railroad employe residing in Newark. Blanche married Austin Howe, of Hanover Township.

An active, progressive citizen, Mr. Vandenbark possesses the confidence and esteem of all who know him. A stanch Republican in politics, he has never been desirous of official honors, but has devoted his attention strictly to personal matters. In religious matters his views are liberal. Upon his farm in Hanover Township he has resided since 1855. The place consists of two hundred and eleven acres of excellent land, upon which have been introduced all the improvements of a model estate. The soil is well tilled, and as the result of careful cultivation is highly productive.

MRS. EMILY ARMSTRONG was born in Newark Township, where she now resides, and is a daughter of Judge William Taylor, whose sketch is presented on another page of this volume. In the public schools of Newark she laid the foundation for the broad range of information she now possesses, and completed her education in the female seminary at Granville, Ohio. There were eight sons and two daughters in her father's family, only four of whom are now living, those beside herself being,

John, a resident of Newark; Thomas M., a farmer of Licking Township, and Alonzo P., who is employed at Mr. Everett's gas works.

In 1852 Emily Taylor became the wife of Jackson Davis, who died ten years later. Four children had been born of their union, namely: Lucius Edgar, who married Estella A. Brown, and they, with their two sons, Sturgis B. and Lucius C., reside on a farm near Columbus, Ohio; Mary Alice, who resides with her mother; George A., an agriculturist, who operates the home farm, and William S., of Milford, Kan., who is engaged in farming and stock-raising upon a farm of three hundred and sixty acres owned by himself and his brother George.

The second marriage of our subject occurred in 1867, at which time she became the wife of John T. Armstrong, who came to Licking County in 1837. Two children blessed this union: Nellie E. and Mattie May. The members of the family have received excellent educational advantages. William S. is a graduate of a commercial college at Pittsburg, Pa. Mary Alice was educated in the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. Nellie and Mattie attended the Newark High School and Granville Female Seminary, and are accomplished young ladies, Nellie having a fine musical education, and Mattie having devoted especial attention to vocal culture. For four years Nellie taught in the schools of Madison and Granville Townships, and for two years has been a teacher in the public school of Granville.

Since the death of Mr. Armstrong in 1872, his widow has superintended the management of the farm. From her father she inherited a portion of her present estate of one hundred and thirty-three acres, and Mr. Davis subsequently purchased a tract of equal dimensions. The residence is an elegant structure of brick, built in the Gothic style of architecture, and contains all the modern conveniences. Mr. Davis was a Baptist in religious faith, and Mr. Armstrong belonged to the Presbyterian Church at Jacksontown. Mrs. Armstrong, with her daughters and son, William S., holds membership in the Newark Baptist Church, and George is identified in the Licking Baptist Church. They are regular attendants at Sunday-school, in which the youngest daughter is a teacher, and are also prominent in the social meetings and other enterprises undertaken by the church. The sons are Democrats in their political views, and may always be relied upon to cast a straight ticket for the candidates of that party.

THOMAS FOSTER, the owner of more than two hundred acres of well tilled land, and a prosperous farmer of Jersey Township, was born in Staffordshire, England, April 13, 1827, and is a son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Babb) Foster, natives of the same shire. In the parental family there were six children, three sons and three daughters, four of whom are now living, namely: Ellen, the widow of John H. Hughes; Eliza, widow of David Jones; Sarah, also a widow; and Thomas, of this sketch.

Emigrating to America in 1833, Thomas Foster, Sr., came direct to Newark, Ohio, and after a sojourn of six weeks there, moved to Liberty Township, where he remained until after all his children were married. Then purchasing one hundred acres of land in Liberty Township, he gave his attention to its cultivation, and increased its boundaries by the purchase of one hundred and fifty acres. On selling that property, he moved to Etna, and after two years there he started with a party to Idaho, but died en route, in 1865. His wife had died some years before his demise. They were both members of the United Brethren Church, in which he officiated as a Class-leader. For his second wife he married Martha, daughter of David and Elizabeth Thomas, and she is also deceased.

The paternal grandfather of our subject, Thomas Foster, was a farmer by occupation, and died in England at the age of seventy years. He reared a family of six children, who came to America. In religious views he was identified with the Church of England. Our subject's maternal grandfather, Geoffrey Babb, was a farmer and also served as a

soldier in the British army. His death occurred at the age of eighty years. The subject of this sketch was five years old when his parents came to Ohio, and since then he had resided continuously in Licking County.

August 22, 1852, occurred the marriage of our subject and Miss Mary Jane, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Disbennett) Burnsides. Four children were born to them, William, Thomas, Charles Burton and Lura Inez, deceased. William is married and has three children; Charles B. is also married and has two children, Daisy and Willie. After the death of his first wife, our subject was again married, in September, 1870, choosing as his wife Miss Zela T., daughter of Joseph and Jane Martin. In their religious connections they are identified with the Presbyterian Church. Politically he advocates the principles for which the Republican party stands, and always gives preference to the candidates of that political organization. At the present time, though owning more than two hundred acres, he engages in the cultivation of only about fifty acres, and this tract bears all the improvements of a first-class farm.

ANDREW JACKSON CADA was born in Bennington County, Vt., November 20, 1834, and is a son of Mowry and Abigail (Barber) Cada, the former a native of Rhode Island, and the latter of Bennington County, Vt. In 1836 the family came to Licking County, Ohio, and on the 8th of July settled on the farm in McKean Township now owned by our subject. There were four children, but one died in childhood. The others are, A. J., the first-born; Phebe C., wife of Frederick Smith, of McKean Township; and Sabra C., now Mrs. Alex Littlefield, of Jasper County, Ind. The parents are deceased, the father having died in 1889 and the mother in September of 1893.

The subject of this sketch was reared upon the home farm and has no recollections of his native place, having removed thence at the age of two years. His entire life has, with that exception, been spent upon the place he now occupies. Succeeding to the ownership of the homestead, he has extended its boundaries until he now owns three hundred and eighty-five acres of good land, improved with excellent buildings. In politics he is a Democrat and takes an active interest in the success of his party. He has held a number of local offices, the duties of which he has discharged faithfully and with success. September 20, 1860, he was united in marriage with Miss Mary Ann Conard, a native of Liberty Township, Licking County. They are the parents of three sons, namely: Joel M., who is married and is engaged in farming in Newark Township; Joseph E. and Charles G., both of whom are at home.

JOHN T. HUGHS, Superintendent of the Licking County Infirmary, was born in West Carlisle, Coshocton County, Ohio, September 25, 1843. At the age of ten years he came with his father to Licking County and settled in Eden Township, remaining with him until his death seven years later. Prior to that, however, he had learned from him the trade of a blacksmith and soon afterward began to follow the trade in Eden Township, remaining thus engaged until December 7, 1891.

In Eden Township, December 16, 1868, Mr. Hughs was united in marriage with Miss Mary E. Harriman, who was born in this township, December 12, 1850. Two children have been born of the union: Louis M., who is the wife of H. W. Colville, and Frank C. While a resident of Eden Township Mr. Hughs took an active part in local affairs and was the incumbent of several township offices. In his political adherence he has always advocated Democratic principles, and is prominent in the ranks of this political organization.

On the 7th of December, 1891, Mr. Hughs was appointed Superintendent of the Licking County

Infirmary, and this position he has since filled to the satisfaction of all concerned. The Infirmary is one of the largest institutions of the kind in Ohio and has accommodations for about one hundred and fifty inmates. It is conducted upon strictly business principles, in a most efficient and capable manner, and the neat appearance of the building and its surroundings proves the energy and excellent management of the Superintendent. Socially Mr. Hughs is a member of Utica Lodge No. 777, I. O. O. F.

DAVID M. HARRIS was born July 23, 1840, in Washington Township, where he now resides, engaged in general agricultural pursuits. He is the son of Stephen and Mary (Donnelly) Harris, who upon coming to the Buckeye State settled in Washington Township, Licking County, where the father purchased an unimproved tract of land, paying therefor $1.25 per acre. As a farmer he was enterprising, progressive and capable, displaying such discretion in the management of his affairs, that he accumulated about seven hundred acres of fine land. He did not attain old age, but passed from earth in 1861, at the age of fifty-nine years. In his political preferences he was always firm in the support of the Democracy, while in religious matters he was identified with the ChristianChurch. Our subject's grandfather, Stephen Harris, Sr., also came to Ohio and settled in Licking County.

There were eight children in the parental family, as follows: Felix, a resident of Washington Township; Elias B., a railroad man who was killed in a railroad wreck at Independence; Amanda, who is married and lives in Newark; William, whose death occurred in California; James, a resident of Eden Township; David M., of this sketch; Calvin, whose home is also in Washington Township; and Johanna, who married A. D. Seward, of St. Louisville. The subject of this sketch was reared on the home farm, and early acquiring a thorough knowledge of agricultural pursuits, chose farming as his life work, when starting out for himself. His educational advantages were rather limited, though whenever opportunity offered, he was a student in the local schools.

When establishing a home, Mr. Harris was united in marriage with Miss Eunice, daughter of Nathan Thrapp, and three children came to bless their home, Ada, Allen and Lee. The year 1863 witnessed the location of our subject on his present farm, where he has since engaged in the raising of cereals as well as in the sheep industry. In the latter department of agriculture he has met with flattering success. His farm consists of two hundred and twenty acres of land, divided by neat fences into pastures and fields of convenient size, and containing all the modern improvements.

Mr. Harris is an earnest and enthusiastic member of the Democratic party, and his advocacy of political principles is intelligent and convincing. He is a man of influence in his locality, and has held a number of local offices, including that of Township Trustee, in which he rendered efficient service. He finds a broad field of usefulness in the Christian Church, and is now serving as one of its Elders. He is devoted to the welfare of Licking County, and believes it to be the garden spot of the earth.

GEORGE WASHINGTON GILBERT. With the exception of nine years spent in Columbus, this gentleman has been a lifelong resident of Licking County and is the owner of a farm of one hundred and fifty-three acres situated one mile from Pataskala. He was born July 10, 1819, and is one of seven children comprising the family of Hiram and Sarah (Smith) Gilbert, the father a native of New York State and the mother born in New Jersey.

Coming to Licking County at an early period of its history, Hiram Gilbert resided for a short time at Granville, but from there went to Colum-

bus, Franklin County. On his return to Licking County he settled in Jersey Township and became one of its honored and energetic citizens. His death occurred at Columbia about 1874, when seventy-two years of age. He was one the heroes of the War of 1812, and was ever loyal to our Government. A farmer by occupation, he succeeded in clearing a farm in Jersey Township, upon which he placed a substantial set of improvements. His wife survived his decease a number of years.

The maternal grandfather of our subject bore the name of Peter Smith and was a native of New Jersey. By occupation he was an agriculturist. Removing with the tide of emigration he became one of the pioneer settlers of Licking County and here he continued to make his home, engaged in his chosen occupation, until the age of eighty-nine years, when he passed from earth. He and his wife had twelve children. In religious faith he adhered to the doctrines of the Baptist Church, of which he was long a worthy and consistent member.

The subject of this sketch was reared in Jersey Township and remained beneath the parental roof until he had attained man's estate. He then operated a rented farm, and saving his earnings, he was enabled after a term of years to purchase a tract of thirty acres. Later, selling his property, he bought fifty acres and from that time added to his possessions until at one time he owned four hundred acres. As above stated, his entire life has been passed in Licking County with the exception of nine years, during which time he was engaged in the meat business at Columbus.

In all his undertakings Mr. Gilbert has received the efficient co-operation of his estimable wife, whom he married March 11, 1840. She bore the maiden name of Abigail Shambaugh, and by her marriage has had six sons and six daughters, viz: Mary, Hiram, Sarah, Elijah, Jane, John, George, James, Charles, Lenora, Martha and Charity. Of these Ehjah, Lenora, Martha, Charles, Hiram and Charity are deceased. Mary is the widow of Jacob Hoffman and the mother of five children, Lenora, William, Gilbert, Nellie and James. Sarah married Robert White, and they are the parents of eight living children, as follows; Elizabeth, Ella, Myrtle, Charity, Blanche, Charles, Jessie and Bessie. John chose as his wife Miss Sarah Williams, and they have three children, Stella, Edna and Ruth. George and his wife, whose maiden name was Nora McFee, have three children, George, Lena and Wilmer. James married Miss Luella Beems, who died in 1884, after having become the mother of two children, Edith and Georgia.

In religious belief Mr. Gilbert is a Universalist. Politically, he advocates the men and measures supported by the Republican party, and has always been a loyal, patriotic citizen. He had five brothers in the late war, Charles, Ezra, Elias, Hiram and Perry, and the last named was confined in Andersonville for fifteen months, enduring all the horrors of that prison den. To all measures calculated to promote the welfare of the people Mr. Gilbert gives his earnest allegiance, and while advancing his personal interests has also promoted the prosperity of the county.

PETER W. DUMBAULD, a resident farmer of Bennington Township, was born in Fayette County, Pa., April 1, 1810, and is a son of Frederick and Christina (Wolfe) Dumbauld. The father was born in Fayette County, June 18, 1785, and died at the age of eighty years. The mother, a native of Franklin County, Pa., died July 15, 1825, in her forty-third year. The great-grandmother of our subject on his father's side was a native of Germany, and a relative of the Hager family, who founded the city of Hagerstown, Md.

Born soon after the close of the Revolutionary War, and when our country was still imperiled from foes without and the no less treacherous Indians within, Frederick Dumbauld passed his childhood years amid somewhat exciting scenes, and several times he was taken with the women and other children to the blockhouses to escape Indian massacre. In 1831 he brought his family

to Perry County, Ohio, and thence removed in the spring of 1850 to Liberty Township, Licking County. At the same time our subject came to Bennington Township and settled on his present farm.

Of the parental family, Abel, the eldest, died in Monroe Township, and Joseph, next in order of birth, passed away in Johnson County, Iowa. Elizabeth, Catherine and Magdalena married and died in Liberty Township. Our subject is next as regards age. David and his wife died in Coffey County, Kan. Nancy is a widow and lives in Liberty Township. Mary died in childhood. While residing in Perry County, Ohio, September 2, 1836, Mr. Dumbauld married Miss Margaret, daughter of Peter Cooperider, an early settler of that county.

This union has resulted in the birth of eleven children, two of whom have been taken by death. Hannah married John B. Hall and resides in Bennington Township. Harriet, wife of Abram Crotinger, lives in McLean County, Ill. Frederick married Algena Runnels, and lives in Lyon County, Kan. Levi, a prominent resident of Lyon County, Kan., has served as State Senator, and was also elected to the Lower House of the Legislature by the Populists. He has been twice married, his first wife being Ella Myer, and his second Maggie Bryner. Peter chose as his wife Mary Patton, and they make their home in Sylvania, Licking County. Mary, wife of Nelson Hall, resides in Bennington Township. Noah wedded Emma Iles, and lives on a farm adjoining the parental homestead. Joseph M. first married Lovina Lemming and afterward was united with Hattie Row; he is now a widower. Orlando wedded Jennie Rice, and they live in Coffey County, Kan. Sarah Elizabeth became the wife of Col. Ellsworth Dixson, and dying, left three children. The children have been the recipients of excellent educational advantages, and several of them are talented musicians, while others have followed the profession of school teaching with success.

The family attends the German Reformed Church, of which Mr. Dumbauld became a member in 1835. His political convictions are in accordance with the policy pursued by the Democratic party, of which he has ever been a firm adherent. For six years he served in the Ohio militia and was First Lieutenant of his company. When starting out for himself at the age of twenty-six he had nothing except willing hands and a healthy body, but industry and economy have made him well-to-do, and he is now numbered among the prosperous farmers of the township.

JOSUHA WESLEY WRIGHT. The members of a successful farming community are always depended upon to furnish the bone and sinew of our social, commercial and national life. A country, no matter how rich, which is under the control of unreliable and shiftless farmers can help very little, if at all, in building up villages, towns and cities which will prove of value to the world. The financial and social progress of Licking County has been greatly promoted by the efforts of its native born sons. Such an one is the subject of this sketch, a farmer of McKean Township.

The Wright family traces its lineage to England, whence people of that name emigrated to America and settled in Pennsylvania prior to the opening of the Revolutionary War. The grandfather of our subject was one of the loyal citizens, who during the second war with the Mother Country, faithfully defended the interests of the United States. The parents of our subject, Joshua and Betsy (Baumgardner) Wright, were both natives of Huntingdon County, Pa., who there resided until 1830, the date of their advent into McKean Township, Licking County.

In the township where he now lives the subject of this sketch was born, October 21, 1832. His educational advantages were somewhat limited, but to the information gained in the common schools he has since added by reading and observation, thus keeping himself abreast with the times. Trained to farm work, he selected agriculture as his life calling, and this he has since followed. Beginning for himself, he settled on the farm where he has

since resided and where he now owns one hundred and fifty-three acres. Upon this he has from time to time erected needed buildings, and now possesses a full complement of farm structures. McKean Township has been his life-long home with the exception of one year in Burlington Township, a few months in Newark Township, and one year in Newton Township, this being in early manhood; also a few years spent with his father and mother in Winnebago County, Wis., this being in youth.

The marriage of Mr. Wright occurred in 1855, at which time he was united with Miss Mary Bevard, who was born on an adjoining farm and is a member of one of Licking County's old families. They are the parents of three sons, all grown to manhood, Wesley, Thomas Calvin and John Judson, who are engaged in agricultural pursuits. The Democratic party claims the hearty allegiance and co-operation of Mr. Wright, and while he is not a politician in the ordinary acceptance of that word, he has filled local offices, including that of Supervisor.

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JOHN BARRICK. The Barrick family was founded in this country some time during the eighteenth century, and for fifty years or more John Barrick and his wife have resided upon the farm in McKean Township where they still make their home. The estate consists of one hundred and fifty-six acres, upon which have been placed all the improvements of a model farm. The soil is under a high state of cultivation, the buildings commodious and adapted to their varied purposes, and the surroundings indicate the energetic and thrifty disposition of the owner.

A native of Pennsylvania, the subject of this sketch was born in Mifflin County, April 30, 1818. He is the son of Henry and Mary (Nailor) Barrick. The former was born in Maryland in 1780 of Holland parentage, and served as a soldier in the War of 1812. The latter was born in Pennsylvania of English descent on the father's side. The maternal grandfather of Mr. Barrick was William Nailor, an Englishman by birth, who went to Lancaster County, Pa., about 1750, and later removed to York County, where he was for several years engaged in the nursery business. He was for some years one of John Wesley's lay preachers. A man of some prominence, he was successful in business and accumulated considerable property. Mrs. Barrick's parents were William and Mary (Porter) Hays, the latter a native of Huntingdon County, Pa. The former came from Ireland and was of Scotch-Irish parents. They were prominently identified with the old Seceder's Church. Both passed away in Huntingdon County, Pa.

Our subject had very limited advantages in boyhood, being for a short time a student in the old-fashioned subscription schools of that day. Self-culture, however, has added to the information acquired through his limited schooling. He has been an extensive reader and thoughtful observer and is a well informed man.

Reared upon a farm, Mr. Barrick has made agriculture his life occupation with the exception of a short time spent as a clerk in his brother's store. On the 10th of January, 1843, he married Miss Nancy Hays, who was born in Huntingdon County, Pa., October 30, 1821, being the daughter of William and Mary Hays. The year following their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Barrick came to Ohio and

settled on the farm where they still reside. They have never had any children of their own, but have reared four children of Mrs. Barrick's sister, whom they nurtured in youth and assisted when starting out in life. In religious belief they are members of the Methodist Episcopal Church and contribute liberally to the cause of Christianity.

In early life Mr. Barrick was a Whig, but upon the disintegration of that party and the organization of the Republican party he cast his lot with the latter, the principles of which he has since supported with loyalty. In local affairs he is active and influential and has been the incumbent of a number of offices, including those of Township Supervisor and School Director. His life proves what is within the power of an energetic, industrious young man to accomplish for himself. He had few advantages in youth and commenced farming with a very small capital, but by industry, economy and the assistance of his devoted wife he has become one of the prosperous farmers of the township. His residence is situated on a natural building site and is surrounded by beautiful shade and ornamental trees and shrubs. This rural home is the abode of an open-handed hospitality extended by Mr. Barrick and his amiable wife to their many friends in the community.

FRANK B. GIBSON. Licking County abounds in fine homes and well tilled farms, and many of the estates in Newton Township are second to none which may be found throughout the entire county, and the Gibson farm, upon which the subject of this sketch resides, is one of the best in the locality, having been placed under a high state of cultivation with all the improvements of a first class estate.

John Gibson, the father of Frank B., was born in Darlington, Durham County, England, March 5, 1831. When a young man he learned the trade of a tailor, and on coming to America, in 1856, he followed that occupation in many of the chief cities in the United States and Canada, and in 1861 settled in Hancock County, Mich., where he followed his trade until January 20, 1879, when he bade adieu to the scenes of this life and his spirit winged its flight to the God who gave it. He was an energetic man, a lover of his home and family and of untiring perseverance. In the village of Hancock, where he was so well known and respected, as well as throughout the surrounding country, he was known as a man of splendid business qualities and excellent management. In all leading questions of the age he took a lively interest, and in politics gave his unqualified support to the principles advocated by the Republican party.

John Gibson was united in marriage with Miss Jerusha Van Guysling in Newton Township, September 25, 1865, with whom he had formed an acquaintance while on a visit with friends in Hancock. Mrs. Jerusha Gibson, daughter of Jacob Van Guysling, of Newton Township, and a descendant of a prominent Dutch family who were widely known in the community where they resided, was born at Clifton Park, New York, June 10, 1841, and came with her parents to Licking County about 1850. After marriage they settled in Hancock, Mich., where Mr. Gibson was engaged in business and where the family continued to reside until 1886, when they removed to Licking County, and settled in Newton Township on the fine farm purchased in 1881, where they have since made their home.

The union of John and Jerusha Gibson was blessed by the birth of three children, two of whom survive Frank B. and Harry C. The elder (Frank B.), was born in Hancock, Houghton County, Mich., June 8, 1866. He received the advantages of the public schools of his native town, being a graduate of the Hancock High School as well as the Zanesville Business College, where he graduated May 1, 1885, thereby acquiring the knowledge which he has so successfully put into practice. His life has been one of activity, and the result of his labors testify to well disciplined mind and abilities of no small import. While generous in his religious belief, Mr. Gibson is in hearty accord with the doc-

trines and tenets advocated and set forth by the English Lutheran Church of which he is an active and consistent member; he contributes liberally of his ample means to benevolent and religious enterprises and seeks to follow out the injunction of our Saviour when he said, "As ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them." Almost in the prime of his manhood, he has attained a success of which he may justly be proud and it is but reasonable to infer that the coming years will not detract, but add to the prosperity and success which he has already attained.

GEORGE M. VAN NESS. The excellent business qualifications displayed by Mr. Van Ness in the management of his farm and business interests have brought him a large measure of success, and he is now one of the well-to-do citizens of Alexandria. The farm owned and managed by him consists of one hundred and eighty-three acres of land situated in St. Alban's Township, and in addition to this valuable property he owns a comfortable residence in Alexandria and an interest in the mercantile business at this place, conducted under the firm name of Baxton & Van Ness.

The father of our subject, Stephen Van Ness, was born in New Jersey in 1819, and married Miss Rachel Ann Spear, also a native of that state. Migrating to Ohio in an early day they made settlement in Jersey Township, Licking County, but after a sojourn of one year there removed to Hartford Township, where Mrs. Van Ness died. About two years later the father removed to Alexandria and carried on a tobacco factory until about 1864, when he disposed of the business. In the vicinity of Alexandria he continued to make his home until 1876, when he settled in Franklin Township, purchasing a farm there. Upon that property he continued to reside until his death, which occurred in June of 1892. With his wife he held membership in the Congregational Church, and in religious work took an active part.

In the family of Stephen Van Ness there were eight children, as follows: Harriet E., who married Samuel Thornbury; Sarah M., formerly the wife of Henry Hubbard, but now deceased; Mary A., who is the wife of Samuel Geary, of Mattoon, Ill.; George M.; Emma, wife of Harry Spellman; John S., who died in Hartford Township at the age of two and one-half years; Alice A., who became the wife of J. B. Francisco; and Clara R., who died in the autumn of 1876, at the age of eighteen years.

A native of Licking County, the subject of this sketch was born in Hartford Township, January 6, 1847. He assisted his father upon the home farm and also worked in the tobacco factory until it was disposed of. At the age of twenty-one years he embarked in farming on his own account in St. Alban's Township, which vocation he has followed up to the present time. In 1889 he became interested with Charles Baxton in the mercantile business at Alexandria, the firm being styled Baxton & Van Ness.

In St. Alban's Township, January 2, 1872, Mr. Van Ness was united in marriage with Miss Susan Rosetta Warden, who was born in Jersey Township, April 30, 1851, and is a daughter of the late Homer Warden, of St. Alban's Township. In local affairs Mr. Van Ness has taken an intelligent and active part, and has been the incumbent of numerous township offices, in all of which he has displayed the possession of sound common sense. His religious connections are with the Baptist Church, to which his wife has belonged since girlhood.

WILLIAM O'BANNON resides in Washington Township, where his birth occurred March 11, 1834. He is the son of Presley N. and Mary (Taylor) O'Bannon, also natives of Licking County. He represents the third generation that has resided in this locality,

the family having first become identified with the growth and progress of Ohio during the lifetime of Grandfather William O'Bannon. The latter was born in Hardy County, Va., and there grew to years of maturity, married, and began the battle of life. On coming to Ohio, he settled in Madison Township, Licking County, and there cleared and improved a tract of land in the midst of the surrounding woods. Upon that farm he made his home until his death, at the age of seventy-five years.

In Madison Township Presley N. O'Bannon passed the years of youth and early manhood. After his marriage he settled in Washington Township, where, through the exercise of economy, thrift and good management, he gradually increased his possessions until he became the owner of six hundred and forty acres. In 1857 he returned to Madison Township, where his life was ended in 1880. The wife and mother passed away the following year. Their family numbered six children, William being the eldest. The others are, Mary M., Elizabeth R., Catherine S., Jeremiah J. and Amanda E.

In early life Presley N. O'Bannon was a Whig, but after the disintegration of that party and the formation of the Republican party, he transferred his allegiance to the latter, with which he was ever afterward connected. In the councils of his party he was influential and a leader. Among the official positions which he occupied were those of Justice of the Peace, Township Trustee and member of the State Legislature. A man of great piety and fervent religious spirit, he was zealous in the work of the Lutheran Church, and for fifteen years or more was a preacher in that denomination.

Reared in Washington Township, the subject of this sketch made his home with his parents until 1854, when he married Miss Margaret J., daughter of William Gardner, and a native of Winchester, Va. Five children have resulted from their union, as follows: Edward, a railroad man residing in Massillon, Ohio; Jennie, Della, Frank M., and Mary M., wife of H. C. Bell, of Knox County. During the Civil War the sympathies of Mr. O'Bannon were thoroughly aroused on behalf of the Union, and in 1864 he enlisted for active service, becoming a member of Company A, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Ohio Infantry, in which he served for four months. In 1863 he had held the official rank of Lieutenant in the regular militia.

At the present time Mr. O'Bannon is the owner of two hundred and fifty-six acres upon which he is engaged in general farm pursuits. His convictions have led him to ally himself with the Republican party, with which he casts his vote and influence. Interested in national affairs, he keeps himself well informed in regard to political movements. For several years he has held the office of Township Trustee. Socially he is a member of Licking Lodge No. 291, A. F. & A. M., of which he is Past Master.

WILLIAM P. KIRKPATRICK opened a drug store in Utica in 1868, and having continued in the business from that year to this (1894), now enjoys the distinction of being the oldest druggist in the place. He was born in Morgan Township, Knox County, Ohio, December 30, 1836, and is a son of David and Ann (Patterson) Kirkpatrick. He traces his ancestry to Ireland, whence his grandfather, Robert Kirkpatrick, emigrated to America during Colonial days. He took part in the Revolutionary War, after which he resided for a time in Pennsylvania and thence came to Licking County, Ohio, becoming one of its pioneers and remaining here until his decease. He left a family of four sons and three daughters, namely: John, Nathaniel, Peter, David, Mary, Anne and Hannah.

David Kirkpatrick was born in Lancaster County, Pa., about 1790, and was reared in Fayette County, that state. Coming to Ohio he became a pioneer of Licking County, but later settled in Morgan Township, Knox County, and there cultivated land. His farm consisted of one hundred and fifty acres, bearing first-class improvements and under a high state of cultivation. A devoted

patriot, he opposed the institution of slavery, and while he did not live to see its final overthrow (dying in 1861) he gave his influence to the cause of the Union until his death. He was a member of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

The mother of our subject was born in Athens County, Ohio, and first married William Ray, by whom she had three children, James, Robert and Margaret, who died in childhood. Her second husband was the father of our subject, and of the six children born to them one died in infancy. The others are, William P.; Jane Ann, who married R. G. Wallace, D. D. S., of Mansfield, Ohio; John D., a farmer of Licking County; Samuel Howard, who resides on the old homestead; and Silas P., a merchant of Denver, Colo. The mother of these children, now (1894) eighty-two years of age, still makes her home on the old farm.

After acquiring an education in the district schools and the schools of Utica, our subject secured a position as clerk in a general store in this city, where he was employed for one year. For the six years following he was employed as a school teacher, the years 1862 and 1863 being thus spent in Putnam County, Ohio. In 1864 he enlisted for service in the Union army, and on the 2d of May was mustered into the one hundred days' service as a member of Company A, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Ohio Infantry, under Capt. W. A. McKee. In the fall of the same year, at the expiration of his term of service, he was honorably discharged. Returning home he resumed the occupation of a school teacher, and also passed one winter in Morning Sun, Iowa. In 1868 he purchased a drug business in Utica, which he has since conducted with success.

In 1871, on the 14th of March, occurred the marriage of Mr. Kirkpatrick to Miss Fannie C., daughter of Col. V. B. Alsdorf. This lady was born in Licking County, near Utica, and by her union has become the mother of a daughter, Mamie F. The political affiliations of Mr. Kirkpatrick are with the Republican party, and he takes an intelligent interest in local affairs. He has served as Treasurer of the School Board and also as Town Treasurer. While not identified with any denomination he is a believer in the Christian religion. In addition to his drug business and pleasant home in Utica, he owns in Burlington Township a well improved farm of one hundred and thirty-three acres.

J. H. HUPP, a retired farmer and stock-dealer residing at Linnville, was born in Woodstock, Shenandoah County, Va., July 4, 1816. His parents, Balser and Mary M. (Canupp) Hupp, were of German origin. Three brothers of his father and two of his mother's brothers deserted the German army and came to Virginia more than three hundred years ago. Of the marriage of his parents, which was solemnized in the Old Dominion in 1811, six sons and five daughters were born, of whom all of the brothers and four of the sisters survive. This is a fact showing great longevity. The youngest of the family is over fifty-six years old, and the eldest was eighty on the 4th of May, 1894.

In 1823, accompanied by four of their children, the parents removed to Ohio and settled on a farm, where the father engaged as a tiller of the soil. He also followed the trade of a carpenter, in which he was quite proficient and had all he could do, as this country was then a vast wilderness. He attained a greater age than anyone who has ever lived in Licking County, and here he died at the age of one hundred and eight years and five months. His brother John died in Virginia at the age of one hundred and three years, and a sister, Annie, died at the age of one hundred and one years.

Of the immediate family, Diana, the eldest, died on the eighteenth anniversary of her birth; Daniel B., now eighty years old, lives a mile east of Linnville, this county; J. H. was the third in order of birth; Leanna, the wife of John McVicars, resides in Missouri; Strother resides two miles from Linnville; Balser, Jr., is a resident of Bowling Green Township; John lives in Oroville, Cal.,

where he is a wealthy farmer, lumberman and miner, owning a mine for which he has refused $60,000; Mary, who first married George McMullin, is now the wife of a Mr. West and lives in Missouri; Jane Elizabeth, now living in California, is the widow of George Travener, who died in that state; Uriah W., a wealthy miner, resides in California; Sarah Louisa married Samuel McClellan and lives in California, where her husband is a hotel-keeper.

The early life of our subject was spent on the Ohio frontier in clearing up land. He never entered a schoolhouse as a student, and was married before he could read. However, he is a man of good business capacity and intelligence, and after he was forty years of age learned to read and write, his wife being his principal instructor. During the early history of this county he experienced all the hardships of pioneer life, and spent much of his time in hunting, as the people were then dependent upon game very largely for subsistance. Frequently he carried corn to mill, several miles away, on his back. The usual way of going to mill was to take a sack full of grain on a horse and ride on top of the grist.

May 4, 1848, Mr. Hupp married Miss Helen A. Stevens, who who was born in Loudoun County, Va., March 7, 1821. Her parents, Thomas and Nancy (Percell) Stevens, died in Percy County, Ohio, the father in his ninety-third year and the mother when eighty-eight. The latter was undoubtedly heiress to a large estate belonging to the Percell family in England, but she died without being aware of the fact. There were five sons and four daughters in the household, of whom five are now living. William Franklin, who lives in Franklin Township, is eighty-three years old. Mary, the widow of William Beverly, lives at Hebron, this county, and has attained the age of eighty-one. John, now seventy-seven, lives in Thornville, Ohio. The father of these children was a Captain in the War of 1812, in which his brother was a Colonel.

Mr. and Mrs. Hupp have never had any children of their own, but have reared four orphan children. These they educated and reared as tenderly as they would have cared for their own. One foster son died after having made his home with them for twenty-six years, and his loss was deeply mourned by his adopted parents. In religious connections our subject and his good wife have been Baptists for many years, and are active workers in the Christian cause. A loyal Democrat, Mr. Hupp has always been earnest and active in politics, and at one time traveled four hundred and sixty miles for the purpose of voting, returning to his home the following day.

HON. WALDO TAYLOR. In enumerating the names of the eminent men of this county, those who have contributed to the development of its material resources, who have given their influence to the arts and sciences, and through whose efforts is due the high standing of the county to-day, among these men, prominent mention belongs to Judge Taylor, Mayor of Newark. The son of one of Licking County's patriots and heroes, he has by his honorable life added lustre to the name he bears. Nor would this volume be complete without a record of his eventful career.

The father of our subject, Gen. Jonathan Taylor, was born in Connecticut in 1796, and in an early day was engaged in running the boundary lines between Michigan and Ohio, commanding the Ohio forces during the troubles that ensued. In both branches of the General Assembly he served as Representative, and further honors were bestowed upon him when, in 1838, he was elected to the United States Congress. His wife, a woman of fine intellect and sound judgment, bore the maiden name of Sarah Elliott, and was born in Allegany County, Md., May 2, 1799. In the opening year of the present century she was brought to Licking County by her father, Capt. Samuel Elliott.

Eleven children were born to the union of General and Mrs. Taylor, viz.: Mary Olive, born

June 23, 1823; David Elliott, January 12, 1826; Orlando, August 19, 1829; Jonathan Campbell, September 22, 1829; Harriett, November 4, 1831; Sarah, January 12, 1834; Eliza, April 10, 1836; William and Waldo (twins) June 3, 1838; Margaret J., June 9, 1841, and Jonathan B., March 31, 1843. Mary, who became the wife of D. D. Jewett, of Newark, died April 21, 1848. David, a soldier during the Mexican War, died December 25, 1848, a few months after his return from the battlefields of Mexico. Orlando died August 27, 1829, and Jonathan C. in September, 1830. Harriett, the wife of William R. Iles, passed from earth June 20, 1856. Sarah married Theophilus Little, and is a resident of Abilene, Kan. Eliza departed this life August 10, 1837. William, our subject's twin brother, enlisted in 1861 as a member of Company D, Seventy-sixth Ohio Infantry, and was killed at Arkansas Post, January 11, 1863. Jonathan B. was a member of Company H, Thirty-first Ohio Infantry, marched with Sherman to the sea, and was a short time in Libby Prison; he married a sister of Hon. S. S. Cox and resides in Chicago.

A man of considerable influence in this community, General Taylor was also well known throughout the entire state, and was honored wherever known. His death in April, 1848, deprived his widow of a loving husband, his children of a devoted father and his neighbors of a kind friend. He was long survived by his wife, who by his death was left in charge of a large family. Surrounded by obstacles, with limited means, she struggled bravely forward, fitting her children, by example and precept, for honorable positions in life, and inculcating in their minds the lessons of honor, virtue and probity to which their success may be attributed. At the age of seventy-four years, she died in Newark, May 13, 1872, and her body now lies in Cedar Hill Cemetery.

The boyhood years of our subject were passed upon the home farm. His educational advantages were excellent, including some time spent in Denison University, at Granville and Jefferson College, at Cannonsburg, Pa. In April, 1861, when twenty-three years old, he was elected Supervisor, and four years later became Township Clerk. In 1863 he was chosen Director of School District No. 5, becoming President of the Board of Education. In youth he selected the law for his life occupation, and continuing the study of that profession for some time, was admitted to the Bar June 10, 1861, and on the 1st of October, 1867, was admitted to practice in the United States Courts.

The principles of the Democratic party meet with the hearty sympathy of Judge Taylor, and upon that ticket he has been elected to many offices of trust and honor. In 1875 he was President of the Board of Trade of Newark. His name was prominently mentioned as candidate for Clerk of the Supreme Court, but he refused to make the race. He was also nominated for Clerk of the Ohio House of Representatives, and received the enthusiastic support of his party. July 26, 1864, he was elected Justice of the Peace, and after having served for three years declined re-election. After his admission to the Bar, he conducted an extensive practice until he was elected Probate Judge of Licking County, in October, 1872. Entering upon the duties of the office February 10, 1873, he served with efficiency for three years.

In every enterprise calculated to promote the welfare of the people, Judge Taylor takes a leading part. He was a prominent factor in the building of the Newark, Somerset & Straitsville Railroad, and at one time was a heavy stockholder. He has served as Secretary and Treasurer of the Licking County Agricultural Society. On the 4th of July, 1863, he was chosen Captain of Company A, First Ohio Militia, and on the 31st of August following became Lieutenant-Colonel of the same regiment. In recognition of his loyal and prompt response to all appeals for aid in the defense of Cincinnati, he was presented with a "Squirrel Hunter's" discharge containing the portrait of Governor Todd.

At the present time Judge Taylor is serving his second term as Mayor of Newark. He was first elected in 1884, serving for two years. In the spring of 1894 he was again chosen to represent the people in this office, receiving a majority of three hundred and thirty-four votes. As chief executive, he has advocated the adoption of measures tending to promote the best interests of the

city and has also instituted several needed municipal reforms.

Perhaps in no way has Judge Taylor attained greater note than as a public speaker. He is a gifted orator, a fluent speaker, eloquent and enthusiastic, combining with a large fund of humor depths of pathos that stir the hearts of his auditors. Upon occasions of public interest, of whatever nature, he is in great request as a speaker. His witty remarks in response to toasts often find their way into local papers, and are extensively copied by the press of the country.

GEORGE J. ROE. More than fifty years have come and gone since, a lad of thirteen years, the subject of this sketch arrived in Licking County in 1842. From that time to this he has resided continuously here and has identified himself with the history of Mary Ann Township as one of its foremost citizens. His conduct, both in his business and domestic relations, has been such as to commend him to the confidence of the people, and he has gained the warm regard of all his associates. A man of strong convictions, energetic and active, he has accumulated a competence through energetic application and the exercise of good judgment, and is now living somewhat retired from life's active duties.

Mr. Roe traces his ancestry in direct descent from Joseph Roe, the founder of the family in America, who was a native of Germany and had been employed as a cabin boy on an English ship and landed at Manhattan Island about 1637, through seven generations, as follows: Joseph, Jonas, Joseph, Jonas, Timothy (who was a Major in the army during the War for Independence and died at Sacket's Harbor), Timothy and Timothy, both farmers.

The parents of our subject were Timothy and Amy (Smith) Roe, both natives of Orange County, N. Y., the father born May 28, 1804, and the mother August 11, 1806. They were married in their native county, where for some years afterward they continued to reside. In 1842 they came to Licking County, where they afterward lived in Mary Ann Township until called hence by death, the father in 1878 and the mother in 1883. Their bodies now lie buried side by side in in the Barnes Cemetery. In their family were three sons and four daughters, all of whom attained years of maturity before there was a death among the number. Our subject is the eldest of the family and is now the sole survivor with the exception of Mrs. Curran, of Newark.

In Orange County, N. Y., George J. Roe was born September 6, 1829, and there his childhood years were passed. In 1842 he accompanied his parents to Licking County, where in 1849 he was united in marriage with Miss Belinda Hickey. This lady was a daughter of William Hickey, a soldier in the War of 1812, who came to Ohio in 1816 and settled in this county two years later. His death occurred in Mary Ann Township in 1890, at the ripe old age of ninety-four years. His first wife, Sarah, died in this township in 1848, and he afterward married again.

Unto Mr. and Mrs. Roe six children were born, of whom four are now living. The two deceased were, John, who died in infancy, and Sarah, who was called hence at the age of three years. Of the survivors we note the following: William Henry, the eldest, is a prosperous agriculturist (see sketch elsewhere in this volume); Amanda, the wife of Allen Smith, lives on a farm adjoining that of her father, and has seven living children; Joseph Edward, a mechanic living in Utica, married Maggie Chambers and they have five children; Cynthia P. became the wife of Lionel Smith, of Mary Ann Township, and they have five children. In addition to his grandchildren Mr. Roe also has a great-grandchild, of whom he is very proud, Henry Allen Banks, the son of Robert and Carrie Banks.

Mr. Roe was greatly bereaved by the death of his wife, the companion who had traveled by his side through the varying vicissitudes of their pioneer existence. She passed away at the old home-

stead October 8, 1884. Since that time our subject has lived with his son, William H. Mrs. Roe was a sincere Christian and a member of the Disciples' Church, with which all the children are identified. While Mr. Roe has been a close Bible student he has never connected himself with any denomination, and is liberal in his religious views.

LEONARD STUMP. Retired from active business cares, this well known citizen of Hanover Township occupies his comfortable and substantial brick residence, where in his declining years he is surrounded by the comforts of life and many of its luxuries as well. He is a native of Ohio, and was born near Nashport, Muskingum County, December 27, 1826. Upon the farm where he was born his father, James Stump, settled in 1807, although three years prior to that time he had purchased one thousand acres of land in that locality. He was a Virginian, born in the Old Dominion, April 6, 1800.

The first to establish the family name in America was our subject's great-grandfather, a native of Germany, who crossing the ocean settled in Hardy County, Va., in the early part of the seventeenth century. Grandfather Stump was a soldier in the War of 1812, and died October 8, 1847. Our subject's mother bore the maiden name of Susan Randall, and both she and her husband died in Muskingum County, in the house where Leonard was born. The mother passed away May 17, 1831, after having had three children, two of whom died in early childhood. After her death the father again married, and by that union there were four children, two sons and two daughters. The sons are both deceased. The father passed from earth December 17, 1886.

Our subject is a graduate of the log schoolhouse, where he spent three months each year under the tutorship of the backwoods "master," as the teacher was familiarly known. This rudimentary education has been supplemented by constant reading of current events and by careful observation. For a man of his years he has a wonderfully retentive memory. Every event of his long and useful life considered worthy of preservation has been carefully recorded, and he has also kept a complete family genealogy.

June 14, 1849, Mr. Stump was united in marriage with Miss Catherine Claypool, daughter of Levi Claypool, formerly a resident of Muskingum County. The latter was of German ancestry and was a successful farmer, accumulating a fine property which was equally divided among his children. His wife, Catherine Claypool, was of English descent, and their marriage, which was solemnized in Hardy County, Va., December 13, 1821, resulted in the birth of twelve children. Mrs. Stump was born in Hardy County, Va., April 11, 1831, and is the mother of seven daughters. The eldest, Susan Savannah, born June 6, 1852, is now the wife of D. V. Randall, of Frazeysburg, Muskingum County, this state, and they have three children. Mary Catherine is now at home; Sarah M. was born December 15, 1856, and died December 7, 1872; Lou Ann, born March 11, 1859, married John Fleming, a farmer of Jackson Township, Muskingum County; Fannie E. is the wife of J. W. Edwards, a farmer and grain buyer of Edward, Franklin County, this state; Emma Jane married E. C. Hamilton, a physician of Emington, Ill.; Leonora is the wife of R. P. McCann, a farmer by occupation, and the son of Dr. McCann, of Elizabethtown.

Mr. Stump gave his daughters excellent advantages, and money was not spared in adding to their many accomplishments. A fine grand piano adorns the parlor, and they were given the best musical instruction possible. All have left the parental roof except one, who devotedly cares for her parents and ministers to their comfort. Notwithstanding the fact that he has given very liberally to his daughters, Mr. Stump still retains about five hundred acres of land, the greater part of which has been accumulated by his own exertions and intelligent management. The land is now rented, mostly on shares. Politically Mr. Stump is a Democrat, but liberal in his views. He favors the income tax features advocated by the Democracy

of to-day. Though he has never identified himself with any church organization, his life has been strictly upright and honorable, and he has been a law-abiding citizen.

GEORGE W. MUNCH, a representative and successful merchant of Hanover, was born in Shenandoah County, Va., October 13, 1844. He is the son of Silas Munch, an Abolitionist of the Old Dominion, who possessed the courage of his convictions, and was the only man in his election precinct who voted for Abraham Lincoln in 1860. This act was the signal for the outpouring of rebel wrath, and he was obliged to flee the country or suffer death at the hands of guerrillas, who had murdered three of their neighbors. Choosing the former alternative, he sought refuge in Ohio, coming to Hebron, this county, during the dark days of the Rebellion. His son, our subject, shared his exile with him, while the other members of the family remained in Virginia.

At the close of the war Silas Munch returned to his southern home and in the county of his birth, Shenandoah, he passed away in August, 1893. His widow still makes her home there. For many years he was a Justice of the County Court of Shenandoah County in the days of reconstruction, and assisted in the adoption of the present State Constitution, and also filled other offices of trust. His latter days were days of peace, and he passed away mourned by many of those whom national troubles had made his bitter foes in former years. His family numbered three sons and four daughters living, while two are deceased. Lincoln B., who was born after the war and named for the martyred President, is now a clerk in the Baltimore & Ohio shops at Newark, where he and his wife reside.

The subject of this notice was reared in Shenandoah County, and in boyhood attended the district schools. He was a war refugee together with his father, with whom he left his native home June 25, 1862, and came to Ohio as above stated. On the 13th of August of the same year, he enlisted at Reynoldsburg as a Union soldier. For two years and four months he served in the Union Army, being for a time with Company I, Ninety-fifth Ohio Infantry, and afterward with Company D, Sixty-fifth Ohio Infantry. With the Army of the Cumberland under General Nelson, he participated in the battle of Richmond, Ky., where his regiment (the Ninety-fifth) was captured. He was paroled on the field and afterward returned to Camp Chase, Ohio, thence to Camp Lew Wallace, north of Columbus. After being exchanged the regiment returned to Camp Chase, where he was taken sick and discharged on account of disability.

Recovering sufficiently, Mr. Munch again offered his services and enlisted in Company D, Sixty-fifth Ohio Veteran Volunteer Infantry, Third Brigade, Second Division, Fourth Army Corps, under Gen. Geo. H. Thomas, with which regiment he participated in the battles of Spring Hill, Franklin and Nashville. It is due to those living to say that the battle of Franklin was the fiercest combat of the war, and that more men were killed in that battle, in proportion to the number engaged, than in any battle ever fought on either side of the Atlantic since the invention of gunpowder. Continuing in service until the close of the war, he then returned to the parental home in Virginia and remained for one year, when he returned to Ohio and took a two-years' course in the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. Subsequently he entered the ranks of the teacher's profession, in which he was engaged for six years. Since the year 1869 his permanent residence has been in Licking County. He was united in marriage with Miss Louvisa E., daughter of Lanty Shannon, of Madison Township, October 30, 1870. Five children bless this union, namely: Charles P., for a time a medical student in the office of Dr. Speer, of Newark, but now attending the Ohio Medical College of Cincinnati; Lanty S., who assists his father in the store; Bertram S.; Mary Mabel and George W., Jr., who are in school.

For some time Mr. Munch engaged in farming. In 1889 he was appointed Postmaster at Hanover

under the Harrison administration, which office he held until September, 1893. At the same time he purchased a stock of general merchandise, where he has since conducted a large and profitable trade. His residence and store building are combined, the structure being substantial and admirably adapted for the noble purpose subserved. Politically he is a stanch Republican, to which party he has always been loyal. In recognition of disabilities incurred in service he receives a small pension.

Socially Mr. Munch is a Royal Arch Mason and is also a member of Lemert Post No. 71, G. A. R. at Newark. At the present time he is officiating as Notary Public and is also Clerk of Hanover Township, being the only Republican ever elected to that office in the township, which establishes his worth as a citizen with both political parties. Mrs. Munch still retains in her name the parental homestead in Madison Township, consisting of two hundred and six acres. There the family resided for many years prior to coming to Hanover. They are highly esteemed both throughout the township, where so long they resided, and in the village where they now make their home, and among the business men, in which place Mr. Munch takes a prominent rank.

ELNATHAN CARPENTER was born in St. Alban's Township, where he now resides, October 10, 1824. His father, Samuel, was a native of Lancaster County, Pa., born January 16, 1783, and that county was also the birthplace of the paternal grandfather. The latter was a farmer by occupation and was a soldier in the Revolutionary War, serving for seven years under General Washington. In 1808 he came to Licking County and became one of the first settlers of St. Alban's Township. At that early period settlers were few, the country undeveloped and few roads opened. Game was plentiful, and deer, bears, wild turkeys, etc., frequently fell beneath the sportsman's unerring aim. The family had about $1,000 on coming to this county and therefore were not obliged to undergo all the privations that fell to the lot of many frontiersmen, although they found the task of clearing the land and improving a farm by no means an easy one.

In due time Grandfather Carpenter became the owner of three hundred acres of land and his old age was passed amid the comforts gained by his industry and thrift. His death occurred at the age of eighty-two years. He was twice married. By the first union he had six children, and three by his second. The first-named were, Benjamin, Joseph, Samuel, James, Hester Ann and Julia. Both daughters married, Hester A. becoming the wife of Isaiah Beaumont, and Julia being united with Samuel Smith.

When the family came to Ohio, Samuel Carpenter accompanied them hither, and here he married Mercy Cornell, who was born in Providence, R. I., May 26, 1788. He then settled on a tract of seventy-five acres purchased by his father, and here he continued to make his home until his death August 12, 1861. His wife passed away April 4, 1869. They were the parents of three sons and three daughters, concerning whom the following is noted: Smith was born January 22, 1811, engaged in agricultural pursuits and died in Pataskala, Ohio; Naomi, who was born September 17, 1812, was three times married and died in Licking County; Wesley was born July 11, 1815, became a farmer and was thus occupied until his death at Warsaw, Ind., August 29, 1890; Eliza, born February 10, 1822, married Earl J. Hubbard, and resides in St. Alban's Township; our subject was the next in order of birth; Nancy, born December 11, 1828, married Robert Hurd, and resides in Newark, Ohio. The father was an earnest Christian and was ordained as a local minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1824.

The log school house of early days was the "temple of learning" wherein Elnathan Carpenter gained his primary education, but while the school was of course inferior to those of modern times, it had the reputation of being the best in the county outside of Newark. Arriving at manhood he

married Narcissa, daughter of J. Sewell Peck and a native of Orange County, Vt. After his marriage Mr. Carpenter continued to reside at the homestead and at one time owned three hundred acres. However he has given his son fifty acres, retaining for his own use two hundred and fifty. In 1872 he erected a commodious brick residence, which is still one of the best in the locality. For thirty years he has combined stock-raising with general farming. He and his wife have two children, Austin and Carrie. The family is connected with the Baptist Church, in which Mr. Carpenter is a Trustee. Politically he is a Republican, but is not active in public affairs.

CAPT. S. M. RICHARDSON, who resides in Hanover Township, was born in the village of that name September 10, 1833, being the son of Robert and Mary (Miner) Richardson, natives respectively of Pennsylvania and Ireland. His parents came to Licking County prior to their marriage, and here they continued to reside until their death, the father passing away when our subject was twelve years old and the mother dying two years later. From that time the orphaned youth was thrown upon his own resources and was obliged to earn his own livelihood. He began as a driver on the Ohio Canal. At eighteen years of age he purchased a boat of his own, for which he went into debt, and since then he has owned ten or twelve boats. These he has utilized in carrying freight for merchants along the line.

During the last fourteen years of his life upon the water, our subject was Captain of a repair boat, owned and operated by the state of Ohio, and for his services in this capacity he received a good salary. About 1884 he constructed the dam at Toboso, or Black Hand, a piece of engineering work of which any man might be justly proud. Some years ago he retired to the farm which he had previously purchased, and here he enjoys the fruits of his early industry and frugality.

Captain Richardson is one of a family that comprised six sons and one daughter, only two of whom survive. James G., who is two years older than the Captain, resides at Red Bluff, Tehama County, Cal. John died at the age of fifty-two years. Robert S., while serving as a soldier in the late war, died of typhoid fever at Newport Barracks, aged about twenty-six years. Alexander died shortly before attaining his majority. William died during the Civil War. Jane became the wife of Edward Hupp, and died in Newark, Ohio, leaving several children.

The subject of this sketch has been twice married. He first married Nancy La Masters, whose parents were natives of Coshocton County, Ohio, and they became the parents of two children, viz.: Jane, who died in infancy; and John, who occupies one of his father's farms situated a mile north of the parental home. The second marriage of Captain Richardson united him with Miss Sophronia A. Porter, a native of Coshocton County, Ohio. Of the five children born to this union, four are now living, namely: Estella, wife of S. R. Francis, of Newark; Charles, now twenty-four years of age, and a genial, companionable young man who is popular among his acquaintances; Cora and Maude, who are at home. James died at the age of two and one-half years.

The home farm consists of ninety-two acres and is well improved. In addition to this, the Captain owns a small farm of forty-eight acres, also improved. He is a true blue Republican and at all times a loyal supporter of the Government. During the Rebellion he desired to enlist, but was not accepted, being seriously affected with rheumatism. However, upon being drafted he refused to be examined for exemption, but placed a substitute in the field. His wife is a faithful member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

In the surroundings and improvements of the county, the Captain has witnessed a remarkable change. In the "good old Democratic days before the war" he often hoed corn, receiving for his services twenty-five cents per day. During those

early days, there was no caste or aristocracy, and to be honest and upright was passport into the best society. Sunbonnets in those primeval days were considered good enough for the ladies to wear to church, and blue demins served for dress suits for the young men. There have been many changes since those days for the better, but it is doubtful if the citizens of the county to-day derive a keener pleasure from their labors, their companionships, and their holiday sports than did the pioneers of those years.

HENRY McCLELLAND, a resident of Eden Township, was born in Greene County, Pa., June 2, 1828. His earliest recollections, however, are associated with the sights and scenes of Licking County, for here he has resided since a child of two years. He is the son of Cary McClelland, who, removing from Pennsylvania to Ohio, settled in Licking County, and purchased a tract of land in Eden Township. This place he continued to cultivate and improve until he was called from earth at the age of seventy-two years. His wife, who bore the maiden name of Mary Warthen, also died in Eden Township.

The paternal grandfather of our subject, Cary McClelland, Sr., also accompanied the family to Licking County in 1830, and here his death occurred when about seventy-seven years of age. Cary and Mary McClelland were the parents of fourteen children, of whom our subject was the next to the youngest. He was reared to manhood in Licking County, and with the exception of nine years spent in Newton Township, he has resided continuously in Eden Township. Not unlike the manner in which farmer lads now spend their time he passed the days of boyhood and youth, perhaps the chief distinction being that there were then fewer comforts, harder work and less play than enjoyed by the young people of this generation. His life occupation has been that of an agriculturist, and with general farming he has combined stock-raising.

Mr. McClelland takes an intelligent view of American politics, in which he is deeply interested, and to his mind the declarations of the Democratic party announce the doctrines which must be for the benefit and progress of the nation, and for the best good of the citizens as a whole. However, he has positively refused to accept any political position. In religious work he has taken an active interest, and for about thirty years has been a member of the Disciples' Church. He is the owner of two hundred and fifty acres, upon which he has made excellent improvements, and in addition has two hundred and twenty-six acres in Knox County. Socially he is identified with the Masonic fraternity.

In Knox County, Ohio, March 24, 1853, occurred the marriage of Mr. McClelland to Miss Vashti Woodruff, a native of Clay Township, that county, and a daughter of the late Joshua Woodruff. They are the parents of eleven children now living, as follows: Maria, wife of Bartley Dodd; Cary, who married Miss Ida Wolf; Marion, who chose as his wife Miss Mary Hass; Julia, wife of C. O. Rice; Ida, who was united in marriage with Ira V. Miller; E. Follett; Olive; John, whose wife was formerly Miss Emma Bailey; Dell; Laura, and Calvin. Three children died in early years.

JACOB SMITH LOUGHMAN, a farmer and blacksmith of Hopewell Township, was born November 26, 1849, to John M. and Martha (Smith) Loughman. His father came to Licking County in 1834, and settling on Flint Ridge, there continued to make his home until his death, which occurred in 1886. The widowed mother still survives, being now a resident of Gratiot. Seven children were born unto their union, but two of the number are now deceased.

Mary, the wife of Eli McCracken, lives in Hopewell Township; Elizabeth, now Mrs. Johnson, lives in Bowling Green Township; John Shannon makes his home in Hopewell Township; Nancy, wife of Peter Hersey, lives in Gratiot; Jennie married Frank Hersey, of Gratiot; Will is a resident of Kansas.

In boyhood days our subject was a student in the neighboring district schools, and early in life he gained a practical knowledge of blacksmithing as well as agriculture. January 31, 1875, he married Lucy Dewees, and two children, Alice and Carleton, bless their union. He is the owner of one hundred and fifteen acres of land, in addition to his blacksmithing business, and is prospered in both departments of work. With his family he holds membership in the Methodist Protestant Church, to the support of which he is a regular contributor.

EDWARD L. NICHOLS. In the farming community we have the foundation for true prosperity in the state, and in the homes of the farmers we may read the future of the country. The family represented by the gentleman whose name appears at the head of this sketch, constitutes one of those industrious and enterprising households whose intelligence and integrity, common sense and kindly hospitality influence all about them, and conduce to the prosperity of the section in which they live. The Nichols farm, which is situated in St. Alban's Township, contains all the modern improvements, including farm machinery and substantial buildings, adapted to their special uses.

The parents of our subject, Leonard E. and Mary (Lewis) Nichols, have long resided in Licking County, and are among the most progressive citizens of St. Alban's Township. Agriculture has been the life work of the father, and to it he has devoted his entire attention throughout the entire period of his useful career. His work and influence are highly prized in his community, as he is always ready to lend a hand toward every movement for the moral, intellectual and material progress of the people among whom he lives. He has erected good buildings on his farm, and owns a large acreage of rich and well cultivated soil.

The subject of this sketch was born in St. Alban's Township, May 11, 1861. In this pleasant and prosperous portion of Licking County he took his training in the active duties of farm life and attended the district schools, which gave him an excellent foundation for an intelligent and progressive life. Here he grew to manhood and has made his home continuously. For a time he conducted his studies at Granville, this county, thus supplementing the information gained in the common schools and laying the foundation for his present wide range of knowledge. He remained at home until his marriage, which event united him in wedlock with Miss Jennie Thornton, a native of Licking County and always a resident of this part of the state.

Settling upon a portion of the old Nichols homestead, our subject has here actively engaged in the tilling of the soil, and raises those cereals which are adapted to this climate. The soil of the farm is rich and repays the labors of the owner with a bountiful harvest of golden grain. It is true of this property, as it is of all the land in St. Alban's Township, that if one will give to it care, industry and good management he will be amply repaid for his exertions. Mr. Nichols takes an active interest in political affairs and is a follower of the Republican party, finding its platform consonant with his own ideas of equity and justice.

WASHINGTON HOLTON. For more than fifty years this gentleman has been a resident of Eden Township, and during this long period he has witnessed its wonderful progress along commercial, agricultural and educational lines. He is a native of Ohio, and was born in Muskingum County, May 3, 1822.

His parents, Nicholas and Rebecca (Miles) Holton, were natives of Pennsylvania, and removed thence to Muskingum County, Ohio, where the father died. The death of the mother occurred in Illinois. To their children they left as a heritage more precious than money, a reputation for honesty, fair dealing and nobility of character, and their descendants may justly revert to their memory with pride.

In the family of eleven children, Washington was the eighth in order of birth. He lived in Muskingum County until seventeen years of age, after which he and his mother resided for two years in Champaign County. His father having died when he was a lad of eight years, he was early obliged to become self-supporting. In the spring of 1841 he came to Newark, Ohio, where he was variously employed until the time of his marriage. That important event occurred in Eden Township, December 10, 1844, and united him with Miss Margaret Miles, who was born in this township August 19, 1825. Mrs. Holton is a daughter of Stephen and Catherine (Dush) Miles, the former a native of Pennsylvania and a farmer by occupation. They died in Eden Township, after having had ten children, of whom Mrs. Holton was the fifth in order of age.

After their marriage our subject and his wife settled in Eden Township, and here they have resided for more than a half-century. They are the parents of eight living children, William F., John, Mary, Barbara E., Stephen, George, Cinna and David F. Three children died in infancy. Mr. and Mrs. Holton have been members of the Methodist Protestant Church for over fifty years, and are counted among the worthy people of the township.

CHARLES H. STASAL, the owner and occupant of a farm in Madison Township is a member of one of the well known families of the county. Here he was born, November 14, 1857, being the son of George and Elizabeth (Hireman) Stasal, natives respectively of Germany, and Mary Ann Township, Licking County. The father emigrated to America in boyhood, and has spent the principal portion of his life in this county, where he still resides. His wife is a daughter of a pioneer family of Mary Ann Township, who endured the hardships and privations incident to frontier existence. In their experience as pioneers it was at times found necessary to carry wheat to Zanesville and there exchange it for family necessities.

In this family there were four sons and two daughters, and five of the number are now living. The eldest, John C., now traveling in the west, was for about twenty-four years manager of correspondence and outside business for a wholesale mercantile house in Newark, where his family still live. Kate became the wife of Samuel Inhoof and lives in Newark. Mary, also a resident of Newark, is the wife of John Hirschline, a stone-cutter by trade. Our subject is the next in order of birth. Henry died in early youth. Arnold married Miss Sarah E. Tarleton and resides in Newark.

For about forty-five years the parents of our subject were residents of Newark, where the father was engaged in business. Some sixteen years ago he retired to the farm where he now resides. Though advanced in years he is hale and hearty, and still superintends the cultivation of his land. Our subject received a good education in the common schools of Newark, and in that city continued to reside, meantime engaged in various lines of business, until eight years ago, when he bought a farm in Madison Township. Here he owns one hundred acres, of which about sixty acres are under the plow, the remainder being in timber and pasture lands. His occupation is that of a general farmer, and in connection with the raising of grain he also engages in the stock business with considerable success.

December 27, 1877, Mr. Stasal was united in marriage with Miss Emma M. Rochester Jones, who was born on the Mississippi River steamboat "Rochester," and was named by the physician and captain of the boat. Her father, William W. Jones, was born in Staffordshire, England, July 5, 1824, and her mother, Margaret (Jolley) Jones, was a native of Zanesville, Ohio, born August 10, 1828. Mr. Jones came to America at the age of twelve years, and is the only member of his father's fam-

ily in this country, whither he emigrated in 1838. His wife died in Newark, Ohio, October 17, 1880. Of their seven children five are now living. The eldest son, Oliver C., is a resident farmer of Union County, Ohio; Alfred B. lives in Newark; Alice, the widow of William Merrick, resides in Newark; Minerva Jane, now the wife of Frank Grigsby, also lives in Newark; William W., Jr., died at the age of twenty-four from the effects of being kicked by a horse; Sarah Elizabeth, who was born in Zanesville, Ohio, died in St. Louis, Mo., at two years of age. To Mr. and Mrs. Stasal four children have been born, only two of whom are living: May, the eldest, and Leander, the second born, died in Newark in infancy. Emma and Effie Ann are with their parents.

In politics Mr. Stasal is a Democrat. He is now serving his third term as Supervisor of his road district, and has held other local positions of trust. Mr. Stasal was reared in the Congregational faith, and is now identified with the Christian Church, to which the other members of the family also belong. In social connections our subject holds membership in the Improved Order of Red Men at Newark, and has filled the position of Sachem in the Wigwam of Minnewah Tribe, No. 52.

JACOB F. KELLER.

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JACOB F. KELLER. The subject of this sketch is a descendant of one of the oldest and most respected families of Licking County. His great-grandfather, Henry Keller, was a native of York County, Pa., born in 1754 of Swiss parentage. In 1812 he removed with his family of ten children (six sons and four daughters) to Fairfield County, Ohio. Our subject's grandfather, Jacob Keller, was a young man when he came to Ohio, and soon afterward he was united in marriage with Elizabeth Miller, daughter of a prominent family of Fairfield County. Six sons and three daughters were born to them, all of whom attained to advanced years, with the exception of a son and daughter. Henry and Sarah still survive, the former a well-to-do farmer living four miles south of Newark, and the latter the wife of Richard Jones, of Franklin County, Ohio. She became the mother of nine children, of whom eight survive, some of them holding prominent positions in public life.

Jacob Keller, Sr., was one of the best known pioneers of the county in his day, and was familiarly called "Grandpap Keller" by old and young. While seemingly rough in manner and speech he was kind at heart, with a never-failing charity for the distressed and needy. Starting in life penniless, by enterprise, industry and economy, and the exercise of good business methods he accumulated a valuable estate of seven hundred and two acres of the best land in the state, located within two miles of Newark, the county-seat, and at present owned and occupied by the grandsons, Jacob F., Frank B., Charles E. and Val C. Keller. Notwithstanding the fact that many of the early pioneers were noted for muscular strength and hardihood, he had few equals in that respect. Every day until he had passed the seventieth milestone he performed manual labor, and perhaps not one man in a thousand accomplished the amount of manual labor that he performed. He scarcely knew what sickness was and took his first dose of medicine at the age of seventy-two.

As a farmer Mr. Keller was noted for thoroughness. His farm always had an air of neatness, and all the improvements were of the most substantial character, making his home attractive above the average of his day. He reared his large family to habits of industry and economy, always instructing by that best of all teachers, a good example. As his sons came to years of responsibility he encouraged them to settle on his fine estate by dividing it among them. Thus they became well-to-do and substantial citizens. He experienced all the

vicissitudes of early pioneer life, coming to Licking County before Newark had gained the dignity of a village, and the surrounding country (now a beautiful valley) was a dense trackless wilderness, almost uninhabited by reason of the marshy character of the soil. Possessing a very retentive memory, when the infirmities of age forced him to retire from active life, he found unbounded pleasure in recounting incidents of his early life to his grandchildren, fifty-four in all. He died at the ripe old age of eighty-three, surrounded with an abundance of the things of this life, and that which is more desirable, the love and esteem of relatives and friends, and the hope of a better life beyond the grave.

J. F. Keller, the subject of this sketch, is the grandson of the honored man above named and the second son of D. D. and Amanda Keller. Born in the year 1856, he is now (1894) thirty-eight years old. He lives on the old homestead one and one-half miles north of Newark, having purchased the interest of his brothers and sisters at the division of the estate. On account of the very desirable location of the land and the excellent quality of the soil, he was obliged to pay a large sum for the place. In youth he was rather delicately constituted, but gained strength as he approached manhood, and since that time has been strong and healthy. He bears the reputation of being very efficient as a worker, both on the farm and in various other lines. His well known excellent business qualities are due to early responsibilities as well as to natural qualifications, his father having died when he was six years old. Following this the widowed mother managed the two farms belonging to the estate until he was fourteen, when she relegated their entire management to him. The work was difficult, but he was eminently successful for one of his age.

On account of home interests engaging his personal attention, Mr. Keller was deprived of the advantages of a collegiate education, but was allowed the full benefits of common schools and a course in business college. In both he displayed great aptness for learning, nearly always standing at the head of his classes and on various occasions being selected to conduct the school in the teacher's absence. Seeing the advantage of good clerical knowledge on the farm as well as elsewhere, he attended one of our business colleges and finds the information there obtained very convenient in keeping a record of farm affairs.

In 1879 Mr. Keller married Carrie L., a daughter of H. W. Hobart, of Granville Township. This lady has proved a faithful and worthy helpmate. Though but eighteen years of age at the time of her marriage, she presided over his home with ability equal to those of more mature years. Two daughters and a son were born to them, Ida May, who died in childhood; and Howard and Nellie, aged twelve and eight respectively. Mr. Keller ranks foremost in his calling. His superior methods of farming (many of which are original with him), and the deep interest he takes in agriculture in general, together with the sacrifices he has made for the improvement of the agricultural classes, have won for him more than a local reputation, as he is known throughout the state both as a lecturer at farmers' meetings and as a forcible and able writer for the agricultural press, being a regular correspondent for several prominent farm journals. He has shown wonderful perseverance and pluck, accomplishing many things in the line of agriculture said to be impossible. With a farm of only eighty acres he assumed a debt of $7,500, on which he paid interest and $1,000 per year on the principal, and now has, with possibly a single exception, the best improved farm in the county. He has recently erected an elegant residence of modern architecture, with every convenience for the comfort of the family.

Taking a very sensible view of life, Mr. Keller says that human existence is too brief to spend much time in the accumulation of wealth, and so bends his energies rather in the direction of beautifying his surroundings so that they may give evidence of intelligence and refinement within. He believes that agriculture has a successful future for those who prosecute the business in a business-like way, but says that the time is forever past when a poorly managed farm will pay a respectable revenue. We must meet competition with skilled methods of farming. This belief he has carried into effect by growing some of the largest crops

ever produced in the state. As the panacea for dull times he believes in intensive, not extensive farming.

In all questions of public trust, Mr. Keller has always stood firmly by the rights of the people, exposing dishonesty and jobbery wherever or whenever known to him. By keeping an eye on public affairs he has saved innocent taxpayers many thousands of dollars. He has exalted notions of the value of the agricultural press as an educator and stimulator of the rank and file of agriculturists to better methods of farming, and says that the time he has spent in reading has paid better in dollars and cents than the same amount of time spent in active labor, to say nothing of the pleasure, culture, etc., thus gained. By close observation and careful study, he has acquired a very general practical knowledge. His advice is sought by old and young. In religion he is a Baptist, in politics a Republican, but in neither is he so bigoted as to believe all that is worthy lies within the pale of his church and party; on the other hand he exhibits at all times due respect for the opinion of others.

JOHN REES. A resident of this county throughout almost his entire life, a period of more than four-score years, Mr. Rees has been an eyewitness of much of the growth of county and state. He has seen the broad prairies transformed into excellent farms, towns and villages spring up, countless industries and manufactories introduced, while miles and miles of railroad have been built, penetrating every nook and corner of the state. In 1858 he settled in Lima Township and purchased a tract of fifty acres, to which he has since added until he now owns one hundred and seventy-five acres of well improved land.

In the county of which he is now a resident, our subject was born May 15, 1812, and is the only survivor among eight children, three daughters and five sons, born to the union of Thomas and Nancy (Bonham) Rees, the former born in Pennsylvania of Welsh descent, and the latter a native of Virginia. In early life Thomas Rees was a shoemaker, but later transferred his attention to agricultural pursuits. He came to Ohio about 1810, and after a short sojourn in Fairfield County, removed to Licking County, and later went to Franklin County, where he purchased land and made a permanent settlement about twelve miles from Columbus. On that place his death occurred about 1822. His wife survived him many years. In religious belief they were Baptists. During the War of 1812 he rendered brave service in defense of the United States. The paternal grandfather of our subject was a native of Wales, but spent the greater part of his life in Pennsylvania, where he died at an advanced age. Our subject's maternal grandfather was a native of the Old Dominion and there, when advanced in years, his death took place.

In Licking and Franklin Counties, the subject of this sketch was reared to a sturdy manhood, well fitted to bear his part in the business world. When a young man he began his mercantile career in Reynoldsburg, Franklin County, and was thus engaged for twenty years. Previous to that he had learned the saddler's trade, but devoted his attention principally to merchandising. As already stated, he came to Lima Township, Licking County, in 1858, and settled upon the place where for thirty-six years he has made his home.

The marriage of Mr. Rees occurred in 1834, and united him with Miss Hannah Childs, a daughter of Daniel and Hannah Childs, and a native of England. She died in 1884, after fifty years of happy wedded life. She was reared in the Episcopalian faith, and to that religion she adhered until death. Mr. Rees holds membership in the Presbyterian Church, and by his honorable and consistent life has proved the sincerity of his religious belief. He gives his political allegiance to the Republican party, and has been loyal to every duty as a citizen.

Six children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Rees, two daughters and four sons, namely: Edmund, Julia, John Henry, William, Charles and Amanda. John H. enlisted in the Civil War as a Union soldier, and did good service as a member of Company F, Ninety-fifth Ohio Infantry. He married

Miss Clara Boylan, now deceased, and is the father of one living child, Blanche. Amanda became the wife of Reuben Alward, and they reside in Columbus; they have three children, Willis, Ethel and Harry.

JOSHUA C. HARTZLER, A. M., PH. D., Superintendent of the public schools of Newark, was born near Lewistown, Pa., November 27, 1832. He traces his lineage to France, whence his great-grandfather, Rev. Jacob Hertzler, emigrated to America, becoming the first representative of the family in this country. He came over in the ship "St. Andrew" (James Abercrombie, Master), from Rotterdam, landing in Philadelphia, Pa., September 9, 1749. The next in line of descent, our subject's grandfather, also bore the name of Jacob; he attained considerable prominence as a minister in the Mennonite Church, and in connection with that profession he also followed the occupation of a farmer.

The subject of this notice is the son of David and Frances (Lantz) Hartzler, natives of Pennsylvania, who were there reared and married. After the birth of six children they came to Ohio, and in the spring of 1839 settled near the city of Lancaster. In those early days schools were few in number and inferior in quality, the children being denied the educational privileges which boys and girls now receive. At the age of eight years the subject of this sketch entered school, but for some time made little progress, owing to the fact that his teachers were illy fitted for their work. After a time, however, he was more fortunate, as he was sent to a teacher of more than ordinary ability and tact. Under the guidance of this efficient instructor he rapidly advanced in his studies and gained a thorough knowledge of the common-school branches.

At the age of seventeen Mr. Hartzler commenced to learn the trade of a carpenter, and while soon acquiring a thorough knowledge of that occupation, he by no means neglected his studies. For two years he taught school in rural districts, after which he began the study of the classics, and at the same time continued a course of higher mathematics, and the sciences at La Fayette Academy, where for two years he was employed as assistant teacher. Later he taught in the graded schools of Lancaster, Ohio, and studied privately under the tuition of Dr. John Williams and the Rev. H. D. Lathrop, of that city. In 1866 he resigned his position in the Lancaster school in order to accept that of Superintendent of the Galion schools, where he remained for six years.

From childhood Mr. Hartzler had cherished a deep longing to visit the Old World and prosecute his literary and classical studies in the seats of learning, and at the same time gain a practical insight into the customs of the people of the lands beyond the sea. The way was at last opened for him to carry into execution the ambition of his youth. In 1873 he made a tour of the continent, and also visited Great Britain. For some time he remained in Germany, where, being familiar with the language, he soon acquainted himself with the excellent methods of instruction used in the schools of that country.

Returning to the United States, Mr. Hartzler accepted the position of Superintendent of schools at Newark, where he has since resided. Under his supervision the schools have been more than usually prosperous, and he now has under his charge about twenty-seven hundred pupils, of whom three hundred are in the high school. In his work he is assisted by a corps of sixty-three teachers. The high school building, which is one of the most complete in the state, was erected at a total cost of $63,000, and its many conveniences and modern improvements are largely due to Mr. Hartzler, who assisted the architect in designing the structure.

As a lecturer in institutes Mr. Hartzler has gained an extended reputation throughout the state, and his services are in demand each summer for such work, his engagements being usually made a year in advance. While he makes a specialty of institute work, he is also favorably known as a lecturer upon general topics, and being a man of broad information and pleasing address, his

lectures receive the hearty endorsement of press and people. In 1892 he was appointed a member of the State Board of School Examiners, of which he is now President. In 1883 the University of Wooster conferred upon him the degree of Master of Arts, and in 1890 he received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the Ohio State University.

January 4, 1874, Mr. Hartzler married Miss Helen C., only daughter of Nelson and Emily Bushnell, of Galion, Ohio. Mrs. Hartzler was educated in the high school of Galion, and is a cultured lady, whose companionship has encouraged her husband in the acquisition of knowledge. Two children bless the union, Beatrice and Helen, the former born February 20, 1875, and the latter June 3, 1888. Beatrice, who has a special talent for music, is now studying that art in the Conservatory of Music in Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. Hartzler are members of the Second Presbyterian Church of Newark. Socially he affiliates with the Knight Templar Masons, and has served as Prelate of the Newark Commandery. He has been President of the State Superintendents' Association, and has contributed many valuable articles to prominent educational journals.

LEMUEL HEADLEY, who since 1883 has been a resident of his present farm in Jersey Township, is a native of Licking County and was born April 13, 1827, in the township where he now makes his home. He is the son of Lewis and Jemimah (Noe) Headley, natives of New Jersey, whose family numbered eight children. Of that number all but one are now living. They are, Mary Ann, wife of Leonard Headley, of Shelby County, Ill.; Lemuel, the subject of this notice; Matilda, wife of Elijah Peffers; Hannah, who married John Whitehead, residing in Lima Township; Phœbe, wife of Alexander F. Freeman, of Alcester, S. Dak.; John H., a resident of Sharp's Creek, McPherson County, Kan., and Martha, wife of Julius Wolcott, living in Jersey Township.

Coming to Jersey Township with his parents when a young man, Lewis Headley became one of the first settlers of this neighborhood and here entered upon the active career of an agriculturist. He purchased from the Government one hundred and sixty acres, a considerable portion of which he afterward sold or gave away. The village of Jersey and Jersey cemetery were platted from a portion of his property. He had a brother Peter, who it is said was the first settler of Jersey Township, building the first cabin and killing the first deer in the township. The father of our subject held various township offices and was a man of considerable prominence in his community. Here he continued to reside until called from earth about 1848, at the age of about forty-nine years. His wife survived him until 1874, when she passed away at the age of sixty-nine years.

The paternal grandfather of our subject was named Joseph Headley and was born in New Jersey of Scotch and Dutch ancestry. For many years he was a resident of New Jersey, where he engaged in farming. During the War of the Revolution he was an active participant as a soldier in the Colonial ranks. In an early day in the history of Jersey Township he departed this life, aged eighty years or more. He was a man of genial nature, fond of company, of frank, companionable disposition, and one who could always enjoy with relish a good joke. Our subject's maternal grandfather, Abram Noe, was born in New Jersey and settled in Licking County a few years after the advent of the Headley family. It is thought that he was a soldier in the War of 1812. By occupation he was a farmer, and accumulating a competence, he lived in retirement from active labor for many years before his death, which event occurred in Jersey Township at the age of sixty years.

Lemuel Headley was born and reared in Jersey Township and has made this place his lifelong home with the exception of five years spent in Iowa. His early education was received in the old fashioned log schoolhouses common to those days, but which have long since been replaced by more modern structures. After his father's death he

assisted his mother in caring for his younger brothers and sisters, and remained at home until twenty-seven years of age. March 4, 1854, he married Miss Mary, daughter of John and Catherine (Runkle) Clouse, natives of Maryland. Five children were born of this union, Alice, Abbie, Cyrus, Lina and Lewis, deceased. Alice married Stephen Carrico; Abbie, wife of William Tharp, of Lima Township, has two sons, Barton and Orland. Politically, Mr. Headley is a Democrat, but is not actively identified with political affairs, devoting his attention exclusively to the cultivation of his forty-eight acre tract of land.

JOSHUA KREGAR. For a number of years successfully engaged as a teacher, this gentleman now devotes his time and attention to the cultivation of his fertile and valuable farm situated in Hopewell Township. He is now in the prime of life, having been born April 12, 1851. The family of which he is a member was represented among the pioneers of Licking County, and endured all the hardships incident to frontier life. His grandmother came here at a date so early in the history of the county that no roads had yet been opened, and to reach this place she journeyed on a flatboat down the Muskingum River. Our subject's parents, George and Sarah Kregar, were natives of Ohio and among the early settlers of this county.

Joshua was the eldest child in the family. His boyhood years were passed in an uneventful manner beneath the parental roof. Upon attaining manhood he was united in marriage with Miss Mary E. Shaw, of Hopewell Township, Licking County, the daughter of John and Nancy (Hill) Shaw, pioneers of the county. Three children bless the union, the eldest of whom, Harley O., is a young man of great promise, and at present resides with his parents. The older daughter, Visa O., an amiable young lady, is a successful teacher, having charge of a school near her home. The younger daughter, Alma T., is at home with her parents.

For a period of fourteen years, beginning at the age of seventeen, our subject followed the profession of a teacher, and carefully saving his earnings he succeeded in accumulating a considerable amount, which he invested in land, thus laying the foundation of his present prosperity. He is the owner of one hundred and fifty acres devoted to the raising of cereals and stock, and subdivided into fields of convenient size for the pasturage of stock and raising of grain. In the raising of fruit Mr. Kregar has also met with success. His motto has been "Not how much, but how well," and this principle carried out in his every-day duties has gained for him a reputation as a careful, painstaking and thrifty farmer.

It politics Mr. Kregar is a Democrat, and votes for and works with that party. In 1890 he was elected Land Appraiser of Hopewell Township, and four years later was chosen one of the township trustees, for both of which positions he is especially fitted. The members of his family are identified with the Methodist Church, and while he is not a church member, he is an honest, upright man, a substantial supporter of the right and a strong opposer of any wrong that may exist in the community.

T W. MONTGOMERY, a general agriculturist residing in Madison Township, is also interested in the branch of the Borton Institute, located at Newark. During the past few years a number of cures for intemperance have been brought to the attention of the public, and among this number is the Borton cure, the discovery of which is due to the patient study of Dr. T. A. Borton, of Plymouth, Ind. This gentleman, who is one of the successful practicing physicians of northern Indiana, made a special study of the treatment of the liquor habit, and with the assistance of a chemist of Chicago finally evolved a cure

which has proved most successful. Unlike some so-called cures, it has in no instance been followed by insanity, suicide or disease. Of the three hundred cases treated within two and one-half years, every one was permanently relieved, there having been no relapses on the part of any of the patients. Nor is the treatment confined to the liquor habit, but it is also designed to cure the morphine and cigarette habits. On the 1st of April, 1894, our subject became interested in this enterprise, being associated with Messrs. W. W. Shannon and A. P. Henslee. Rooms have been especially fitted for the institute in Newark, and there are ample accommodations for all who may need the service of such a humane institution.

A native of Madison Township, the subject of this sketch was born on the 19th of June, 1849, being the son of Charles W. and Ellinda (Claypool) Montgomery, natives respectively of Licking County, Ohio, and Virginia. He is the eldest of the parental family of seven children, and his early years were spent upon his father's farm. After completing the studies of the neighboring district schools, he entered Denison University at the age of sixteen years, and for two years prosecuted his studies in that institution. Afterward he took a course in Duff's Commercial College at Pittsburg, graduating in 1869. From there he went to Dartmouth College, where he was a student for three years, 1870–73.

His college days ended, Mr. Montgomery engaged in farming and in the stock business, also handled wool to some extent. For a helpmate on life's journey he chose Miss Mary E. Nosman, their wedding taking place on the 5th of May, 1880 Mrs. Montgomery was born in Licking County, and is a daughter of Henry and Hannah (Sullivan) Nosman, the former born in Hanover, Germany, and the latter a native of Ireland. She has one brother, a resident of Knox, Ind., and Auditor of Starke County. With the exception of her mother's sister, who lives in Columbus, he is her only relative in this country.

Socially, Mr. Montgomery is identified with the Knights of Pythias. His political views bring him into affiliation with the Republican party. He has held various official positions in his neighborhood and is the present Clerk of Madison Township. He was at one time the Republican nominee for the office of County Treasurer. In this strongly Democratic county it is almost useless for any Republican to seek a desirable county office, yet he succeeded in reducing the Democratic majority from fourteen hundred to about five, which speaks well for his popularity and recognized ability.

NATHAN C. FLEMING. The traveler journeying through Hanover Township will invariably pause with admiration before the beautiful home owned and occupied by Mr. Fleming. The residence is built of brick, with mansard roof and conveniently arranged rooms, and in design of architecture is second to none in Licking County. The neatness of the surrounding buildings and general air of thrift indicate the energy and prosperity of the owner, and it is probable that among the many successful farmers of the township none have achieved a more flattering success than has Mr. Fleming. Among his possessions are included six hundred and ninety-eight acres in Hanover Township, also two hundred acres in Perry Township, and he owns considerable stock in a large brick manufactory at Hanover, a regularly incorporated joint stock company, of which he is Vice-President.

At Frazeysburg, Muskingum County, Ohio, August 7, 1836, our subject was born to the union of John and Hannah (Carter) Fleming, also natives of Muskingum County, where their parents had located early in the settlement of that county. There were four sons and three daughters in the family, our subject being the eldest. Mary A. died at Granville Female Seminary when about twenty-two years of age. Alva J. lives near Portland, Ore.; James M., a resident of Hanover, is engaged in the meat market business; Charles W. is a farmer and fruit grower at Frazeysburg, where he owns a beautiful orchard of ninety acres planted to pear, apple, peach and cherry trees; Catherine,

the widow of William Stump, resides at Newark; Alice V., who married William M. Lane, a farmer, lives near Zanesville, Ohio.

About 1853, having completed the studies of the common schools, our subject entered Denison University at Granville, where he completed the business course and received a diploma from that department. For three years thereafter he engaged in the mercantile business at Irville, Muskingum County, and then taught school one year. In 1861 he took a classical course in the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, Ohio, remaining there until May, 1862, when, with ninety-nine students, he left the university and enlisted in the Eighty-fourth Ohio Infantry. He was the first to volunteer, and the others following organized Company E. The President, Rev. Frederick Merrick, followed the boys to Camp Chase and implored them to return and complete their college work, but in vain. The Eighty-fourth became a part of General Wool's Division, and the youthful volunteers served from May until the October following, when they were discharged.

Returning home in May of 1863, Mr. Fleming married Miss Clara C. Vandenbark. Afterward he was called out on the Morgan raid and followed that general up to the time of his capture. In the fall of 1863 he moved to his present homestead, where on March 17 of the following year he lost his young wife. Her infant dying about the same time, both were interred in the same coffin. February 28, 1866, Mr. Fleming married Miss Mary J., daughter of Hon. Daniel VanVoorhis, of Muskingum County. Her father was a member of two of the Ohio Constitutional Conventions and also represented his county in the state legislature on two occasions. Her brother, Hon. Henry Clay VanVoorhis, is now a member of the Fifty-third Congress and resides in Washington, D. C.; he is also President of the Citizens' National Bank of Zanesville, Ohio. S. F., another brother, is a resident of Newark and engages in farming and stock-raising, being also a Director in the Building & Loan Association. F. Z., a resident of Zanesville, is a farmer and devotes especial attention to the development of road or standardbred horses. Victoria is the wife of Thomas Taylor, a prominent farmer living near Newark. Sarah became the wife of Joshua G. Stump and lives near Dresden, Ohio. John R. VanVoorhis the eldest son of Daniel Van Voorhis, married Miss Lucy Frazer, of Glens Falls, N. Y. She died in 1875 and he met his death by accident, while assisting to adjust a monument in the family cemetery at Nashport, Ohio, in 1881. They left one daughter, Blanche M., who is a graduate of the Granville Female Seminary.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fleming five children were born. Clarence V. is married and lives on a farm near Newark. Hallie E. an accomplished and cultured young lady, was the joy and pride of the home and an active worker among the young people of the Presbyterian Church, but she was taken from the home circle by death in January, 1893, when in her twenty-second year. Daniel V., a young man of eighteen years, assists his father on the home farm. Lottie L. and Mary R. are students in the home schools.

In political sentiments a Republican, Mr. Fleming has served as Township Clerk and Township Trustee for many years, and has been a member of the School Board twelve or fifteen years, filling the position of Treasurer of the Board for the same length of time. Socially he is a non-affiliated Mason and formerly served his lodge in various capacities. While a student at Delaware he joined the Beta Theta Pi society, in which he still holds membership.

STEPHEN R. TUCKER. This venerable citizen of Gratiot was born in Culpeper County, Va., February 1, 1814, and is a son of Stephen and Elizabeth (Corley) Tucker. His father was born at Point of Rocks, Md., July 17, 1777, and his mother was a native of Culpeper County, Va., born in 1781. They were married near Flint Hill, Rappahannock County, Va., December 23, 1800, and came to Zanesville, Ohio, November 22, 1827, whence in February of 1828

they removed to the neighborhood where our subject now lives.

There is now in the possession of Mr. Tucker a memorandum bark more than two hundred years old, and from it we learn that our subject's father had two brothers and sisters, as follows: Sarah, born July 4, 1760; James, December 19, 1762; Mary, October 12, 1771, and John, February 26, 1772. When the parents came to Ohio they brought with them seven sons and four daughters, and amid frontier surroundings, enduring all the hardships of pioneer life, the children attained years of maturity. They labored assiduously in clearing up a farm in the then thickly wooded country. Log rollings, chopping bees and the raising of log houses and barns were the only sports they enjoyed, and by the youth of the present generation they would doubtless not be relished as such.

The children were named William D., John C., George J., Sarah, Mary Ann, Jordan, Stephen R., Elizabeth, Margaret, Thomas H. and James A. All excepting Stephen R., Elizabeth and Thomas H. are deceased. Elizabeth is the widow of William H. Thomas and lives near the village of Gratiot. Thomas H. is a resident of Indianola, Iowa, where he is interested in agricultural pursuits. The educational advantages of the family were such as were afforded by the subscription schools. Notwithstanding the lack of early advantages, there were several teachers in the family, and all attaining a fair knowledge of the common school studies became intelligent, capable and honored citizens.

The subject of this sketch was united in marriage, March 10, 1836, with Miss Sarah Hursey, who was born October 18, 1817, being a daughter of Henry Hursey. It is worthy of note that she is now living on the same quarter-section where she was born, and she has never known any other home than this. They became the parents of three children: Henry G., William M. and Mary E. The eldest son was born February 11, 1839, and was a medical student for two years prior to the war. He then enlisted in the One Hundred and Twenty-second Ohio Infantry, of which regiment he was hospital steward, a position affording him excellent opportunities for adding to his medical knowledge, especially in the line of surgery. Returning from the army he entered the Ohio Medical College at Cincinnati, from which he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. He now conducts a lucrative practice at Cromwell, Noble County, Ind. By his union with Miss Lydia Primrose, a native of Perry County, Ohio, three sons and one daughter have been born.

The second son of our subject, William M., was born June 11, 1841, and during the Rebellion enlisted in the One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Ohio Infantry, in which he served about one year. Taken prisoner by the Confederates, he was confined in Andersonville, Charleston and Florence prisons from July 3, 1864, until April, 1865. He returned home with greatly impaired health and has never fully regained his strength. Before entering the service he married Miss Sarah E. Baker, who died leaving two sons and two daughters, only one of whom is now living. Later Mr. Tucker married Miss Bytha Varner, and they have had one child, a daughter. Mary E., our subject's only daughter, was born August 11, 1848. A peculiar fact connected with the family history is that the three children were born on the 11th day of the month and that both of our subject's parents died on the 11th.

During the earlier part of his life Mr. Tucker was a farmer, but for many years he has been engaged in mercantile business at Gratiot. For nine years he served as Justice of the Peace, and for twenty years officiated as Postmaster. At present he is Notary Public. When John C. Fremont was a candidate for the Presidency he became an adherent of the Republican party, which for many years he supported, but now gives his ballot and influence to the Prohibition party. To slavery of every kind he has always been opposed. His father and grandfather were slave holders, and he was reared to that idea, but has always opposed human slavery, whether it refers to the ownership of human beings, or the wilful use of intoxicants and narcotics.

Socially Mr. Tucker has been active in the Masonic fraternity for about forty years, and has filled the most important positions in Jackson Lodge No. 85, at Brownsville, having served as Worshipful Master, Senior Warden, Junior War-

den, Secretary and Treasurer. For fifty-two years he has been identified with the Methodist Episcopal Church, and has during that entire time taken an interest in religious work and has given liberally of his time and means for the benefit of the church.

MORGAN E. WOODRUFF. Well known among the agriculturists of Licking County is this resident of Burlington Township. He was born in Morgan Township, Knox County, Ohio, January 29, 1828, and is a son of Joshua and Priscilla (Davis) Woodruff, the former born in Greene County, Pa., in 1797, and the latter born in Pennsylvania in 1800. The latter accompanied her parents to Knox County in 1811, the former settling there some years later. They were married in Knox County, where their entire lives were spent.

The family consisted of seven sons and five daughters, of whom three sons and four daughters are now living. Mary, wife of Benjamin Bell, resides near Martinsburg, Ohio, where her husband is an extensive farmer. Benjamin died at the age of about five years. James died unmarried at twenty-six. Morgan E. is the next in respect to age. David passed away at three years of age. Amanda married Adam Murdick and resides in Newark, Ohio. Vasti, wife of Henry McClelland, lives on a farm in Eden Township, Licking County. Maria, Mrs. John Frazey, lives at Lone Pine, Washington County, Pa. Martha is the widow of John Ackley. Calvin married Emeline Cox and lives on a farm in Eden Township. Louis Marion chose as his wife Miss Sarah Belle Sellers and now lives in Utica. Joshua died when twenty-six years of ago.

Upon his father's farm Morgan E. Woodruff was reared to manhood, meantime studying in the district schools and at Utica, where he was under the tutorship of Professor McKee. In 1858 he married Miss Elizabeth West, a descendant of an old Virginia family. She was born one-half mile from the birthplace of her husband and is the daughter of Amos and Sarah (Gilchrist) West. Our subject and his father were married on the same farm, the dates of the two events being about thirty-seven years apart. The father of Mrs. Woodruff purchased the farm owned by our subject's maternal grandfather, who about 1808 "tomahawked" around, this being the popular mode of surveying at that time.

The union of Mr. and Mrs. Woodruff was blessed by the birth of one daughter, in whom all their love and pride were centered. She received a good education and was an exceptionally amiable and gentle girl, beloved by all who knew her. She was born in Utica, Ohio, March 22, 1864, became the wife of Samuel L. Shaffer May 25, 1882, and died December 21, 1887. Her three children, Lulu Coral Wave, Goldie Amber and Morgan Guy, are the especial care of their affectionate grandparents. While their home is on an adjoining farm, most of their hours out of school are spent with Mr. and Mrs. Woodruff.

In 1885 Mr. Woodruff built the elegant residence in which he and his wife now reside. He owns a small farm in the suburbs of Homer, on which he spends his time and from the cultivation of which he realizes a fair revenue. In religious belief he and his wife hold membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church at Homer, the services of which they regularly attend. Socially he affiliates with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Politically he was reared in the Democratic faith, but since 1860 has voted and worked with the Republican party.

DAVID O. ROBERTS, M. D., a practicing physician of Hanover, was born in Knox County, Ohio, near the city of Mt. Vernon, October 21, 1856. His parents, John and Elizabeth (Jones) Roberts, were born in Knox County and are now residents of Utica, Licking County. The parents' family consists of five sons

and three daughters, all of whom are still living. Of these David O. is the fifth in order of birth and the third of the sons. His boyhood days were passed in Knox County, where he gained the rudiments of his education in the district schools. Later entering Professor Harris' Normal School at Utica, he there prosecuted the study of higher mathematics and physics and also took a four years' course in Latin.

Having resolved to enter the medical profession, our subject upon concluding his literary studies entered the office of Dr. DeCrow, of Utica, where he made preparation for college. He then entered the Eclectic Medical Institute at Cincinnati, where he took a graded course of three terms. The sessions were of five month's duration and the residue of each year was spent in the office of Dr. DeCrow. The laws of Ohio at that time, 1878–80, required but two full terms, though three are now required. In June, 1880, the young Doctor received his diploma and at once entered upon the practice of his profession in the village where he still resides. Here he succeeded Dr. Higgins and at once secured a good practice, which he has continuously increased until he now has a practice equal to that of many older physicians in larger towns. He purchases his drugs directly of a wholesale house in Columbus and thus has the advantage of knowing exactly the nature and quality of the remedial agencies employed in his pratice.

September 29, 1881, the Doctor was united in marriage with Miss Olie, daughter of Isaac and Alcinda (Evans) Camp, the former a native of Coshocton County, Ohio, and the latter a Virginian by birth. Mr. Camp died when his daughter was about one year old, but her mother survived until 1892, having made her home with Mrs. Roberts until her death. The Doctor and his wife are the parents of four children, namely: Elizabeth, who is twelve years of age; Clara, ten years old; John, aged seven years; and Anna Bell, an infant of eight months.

In his political views Dr. Roberts is a strong Republican. In everything pertaining to his profession he takes a deep interest, and is actively identified with the Ohio State Eclectic Medical Society and the Ohio Central Medical Association. He has officiated as Vice-President of the Central Ohio District Society. In religious belief he and his wife are members of the Presbyterian Church and contributors to the enterprises undertaken by that denomination, as well as to charitable projects in general. Socially he holds membership in the Masonic fraternity, belonging to New Home Lodge No. 338, at Hanover, in which he has filled the position of Worshipful Master for two consecutive terms.

CHARLES A. HATCH, M. D. The science of medicine has in all ages of the world's history called to its practice the ablest and most gifted of men. Especially is this true in regard to the nineteenth century, and consequently the past hundred years have witnessed a wonderful development both in medicine and surgery. Skilled talent has concentrated its attention upon the profession, has given it years of study and evolved from the clouds of mysticism many discoveries fraught with wonderful meaning to the whole world.

To those whom, by the intelligent and skilled practice of the profession, their community is placed under obligations, especial mention belongs, and one of this class is the subject of our notice. He is a man who, both professionally and socially, has won the high regard of his associates, and who is numbered among the leading physicians of Utica. His skill in the diagnosis of cases and accuracy in treatment, together with his keen perceptive powers and sound judgment, eminently qualify him for the successful discharge of duties connected with the profession that he has chosen for his life work.

A native of New Hampshire, the subject of this sketch was born in Milton, July 7, 1857, and is therefore still on the sunny side of life's prime. He is the son of Charles G. and Elizabeth (Blanchard) Hatch, the former a business man of Milton and for some years successfully engaged as a dealer

in carriages. Charles A. attended the common schools of his native village and later was a student in the high school of that place, graduating in 1871. He then entered Dartmouth College, where for four years he diligently prosecuted his literary researches, graduating from the institution with the Class of '75. Having resolved to make the profession of medicine his life occupation, he began the study of the science and in 1877 was graduated from the Missouri Medical College of St. Louis. At once after completing his studies he opened an office at Newark, the date of his location here being March, 1877. This city has since been his home and here he has established a good practice.

The marriage of Dr. Hatch occurred June 14, 1878, and united him with Miss Annie Grace, daughter of Dr. Albert Barrows. Their union has resulted in the birth of two children, the elder of whom, Clark B., is at home. The younger, Charles A., died January 19, 1886, at the age of five years. While his professional duties engage the Doctor's attention very closely, they do not do so to the exclusion of his duties as a citizen. In his political affiliations he is an ardent supporter of the Republican party and at the present time is serving as a member of the City Council. Socially he is identified with the Knights of Pythias and the Knights Templar. At present he fills the position of Vice-President of the Home Building Association.

THOMAS W. SOUTHARD, a retired farmer living in Mary Ann Township, has been a resident of Licking County throughout the entire period of his long and honorable life, having been born in Hanover Township, March 18, 1810. A genealogy now being prepared by Milton I. Southard, of New York City, shows that the history of the family in America dates back three hundred years. The first representatives in this country were Samuel L. and Henry Southard, who settled on Long Island and founded the colony bearing their name.

The parents of our subject, Abraham and Elizabeth (Hull) Southard, were natives respectively of New Jersey and Pennsylvania, and were married in the latter state. In 1806 they came to Licking County, where they remained until death. Their grandson, Milton I. Southard, previously mentioned, is a popular citizen and prominent attorney of Brooklyn, N. Y., and has served three terms in the United States Congress, being elected to that position on the Democratic ticket.

In boyhood our subject attended the subscription schools of Hanover Township, his father paying $2 per quarter for his tuition, while he walked three miles to school in the morning and home in the evening. He learned the trade of an iron moulder in the Brush Creek furnace in Adams County, and afterward, for fifteen or more years, worked a portion of each year in the Mary Ann furnace in this township, now one of the relics of the past. In his nineteenth year he went east and attended school at Nottingham, near Portsmouth, N. H. Returning to Licking County at the age of twenty-one, he resumed work as an iron moulder.

When twenty-eight years of age, in 1838, Mr. Southard married, in Tuscarawas County, Ohio, Miss Guley Long, who was a native of Virginia and her husband's junior by one year. Three children blessed this union, one of whom, Endymion, died at the age of eleven years. The others are: Mrs. Augusta Clemens, who lives in McDonald County, Mo., and Leonidas M., a carpenter, who resides in Newark. The first wife of Mr. Southard died in 1844, and he afterward married Susanna Preston, who is now the companion of his old age. This lady was born in Buffalo Valley, Union County, Pa., in 1823. Her father, Calvin Preston, died when she was a child, and her mother afterward married Thomas Merrick, with whom she removed from Pennsylvania to Ohio, settling in Licking County, where both died.

Mr. and Mrs. Southard have had three sons and five daughters, all living, viz.: Alonzo, Samantha, Ella C., Sarah, Hattie, Emma, Frank and Carey. All are married excepting Samantha and Frank, who live with their parents, the former be-

ing an invalid. Mrs. Southard joined the Methodist Episcopal Church at the age of sixteen years, and her husband united with the same denomination about thirty years ago. Socially he is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and holds membership in the lodge at Newark, but the infirmities of age have for some time rendered it impossible for him to attend the meetings. He makes his home upon the farm bequeathed him by his father at his death, which event occurred at the age of ninety-six years. In political matters he has always been interested and active, and since attaining the age of twenty-one years he has never missed but one general election, the exception being in the fall of 1893, when he was unable to attend on account of ill health. He is a man whom all honor, and it is the hope of his many friends that he may enjoy many years of continued peace and happiness.

WILLIAM ALSDORF, of Utica, dates his residence in Licking County from the 7th of May, 1839. He was born in Schenectady County, N. Y., September 17, 1814, being a son of Sylvester and Lydia (Brown) Alsdorf. His paternal grandfather, Lawrence Alsdorf, emigrated from either Germany or Holland and settled on the Hudson River near the city of Newburg. During the Revolutionary War he served under General Washington, remaining until the close of the war. While in active service his limbs were frozen and ever afterward occasioned him considerable trouble.

After the close of the Revolution, Grandfather Alsdorf removed to Schenectady County, and settling upon a farm, made it his home as long as he lived, although his death occurred in Saratoga County when he was about ninety. His farm was situated at Glenville, and was large in acreage and well improved. In religious belief he was devoted to the principles of the Presbyterian Church, and donated the site occupied by the church and cemetery. Twice married, both wives preceded him in death. His only child was Sylvester, a native of Schenectady County, who in boyhood received only such educational advantages as the common schools afforded. He was married in Saratoga County and later followed farming in Schenectady, where he owned a valuable estate. Through an unfortunate endorsement of papers for friends he lost a large portion of his property.

At the age of more than four-score and ten years, Sylvester Alsdorf was called from earth, his death occurring at the Glenville homestead. His wife died a few months previous to his demise and at about the same age. In religious belief they were Presbyterians, though while living in Clifton Park for a number of years they were identified with the Methodist Episcopal Church. Politically, the father was a Democrat in early life, but later became independent in his views, refusing to give allegiance to any political organization and supporting the men best qualified for office, irrespective of party connections.

In the parental family there were eleven children, of whom seven attained mature years. Sarah, Mrs. John Huffman, died at Glenville, N. Y.; Jacob, a farmer by occupation, died in Schenectady County; Elias T. also passed away in Schenectady County; Maria married William Hayes and died in Saratoga County; Elizabeth, Mrs. Nelson Cole, departed this life while living in Saratoga County; Valentine, a farmer, came to Ohio in 1839 and engaged in business as a grain dealer at Utica, where he died; William was the next in order of age; Amos died in boyhood in Schenectady County; Lawrence is now a retired farmer of Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

The boyhood years of our subject were spent on the home farm. The rudiments of his education were acquired in the primitive schoolhouse of pioneer days, where the quality of the instruction was as crude as the building itself. In 1839, accompanied by his brother Valentine, he came to this state via Erie Canal, Lake Erie and the Ohio Canal, the trip requiring two weeks. Arriving in Licking County he and his brother purchased land, and he settled on a farm in Washington Town-

ship. In 1858 he came to Utica, where he has since resided. For twenty-one years he was agent for the railroad and then resigned in favor of his son, who is the present incumbent of the position. At one time he owned three farms, which were devoted principally to stock-raising; he still retains one farm in his possession. In addition to other enterprises he has also dealt in grain, wool and lumber.

In Saratoga County, N. Y., in 1836, occurred the marriage of Mr. Alsdorf to Sarah Reed, a native of Ireland and a daughter of James Reed. They have had eight children, of whom seven attained years of maturity, viz.: Robert, John, Fannie C.; Lottie, who married William McClelland and died in Utica; William A., and Minnie, wife of Frank Simmons, of Erie, Pa. Mr. Alsdorf came to Utica for the purpose of educating his children, upon whom, in addition to affording them excellent educational advantages, he has deeded the larger portion of his property. Politically he was formerly a Democrat, but now affiliates with the Republicans, and upon that ticket has been chosen to serve in various local offices. He served as President of the Licking County Agricultural Society and laid the present track on the fair grounds, being a member of the Board for fourteen years. In religious belief he is connected with the Presbyterian Church.

MICHAEL FRANCIS COLE, M. D., settled in Utica in May of 1884, and in the years that have since come and gone he has attained an enviable reputation as an able physician. He is of English descent, his paternal grandfather, Michael Cole, having been there born, reared and married. Thence he came to the United States, and settling in Ohio, resided for a time at Green Valley, but afterward removed to Liberty Township, Knox County, where he and his wife died. Their only son, Thomas F., was born in New York, and in Ohio was united in marriage with Miss Charity, daughter of Willis O. Phillips. He engaged in farming in Liberty Township, and thence removed to Mt. Vernon, where he conducts a grocery business and also superintends the management of his farm. In the ranks of the Republican party he possesses considerable influence and has been President of the City Council of Mt. Vernon. In religious belief he and his wife are identified with the Methodist Episcopal Church.

In the family of Thomas F. Cole there were six children, namely: Michael Francis, who was born in Liberty Township, Knox County, March 24, 1856; Simon P., who is a traveling salesman, located at Atchison, Kan.; William U., a graduate of the Columbus Medical College and a physician of that city; Robert Lincoln, who is engaged in the grocery business at Mt. Vernon; Mary Elizabeth; and Alice, wife of Charles King, of Mt. Vernon. Our subject was reared on the home farm and received the advantages that were afforded by the common schools. After concluding his studies he taught school between the age of eighteen and twenty-one years.

In 1877 our subject was united in marriage with Miss Sudie, daughter of Isaac L. Jackson, a farmer of Knox County. Mrs. Cole was born in Morris Township, and by her marriage has become the mother of a daughter, Anna Maud. While engaging in farm work our subject saved his earnings until in 1881 he had $400, and with this amount he began the study of medicine, choosing as his preceptor Dr. E. R. Eggleston, of Mt. Vernon. Later he attended the Cleveland Homeopathic College, known at the present time as the Cleveland University of Medicine, and from this institution he was graduated with the Class of '84. He opened an office at Utica, and here he has since conducted a lucrative and increasing practice. In 1892 he took a post-graduate course in the Chicago Homeopathic College, and at all times he has endeavored to keep abreast with the latest developments in the science of medicine. In this aim he has been successful, and so thorough is his knowledge of his profession that he is universally recognized as a skilled and able physician, in whose counsel the fullest confidence may be placed.

The demands of his profession have been such

that the Doctor has had little time for matters of an outside nature. However, he is a public-spirited citizen and takes a commendable interest in everything affecting the welfare of his fellow-citizens. He gives his influence to the measures adopted by the Republican party and his vote to the candidates pledged to uphold its principles. At present he is filling the position of Health Officer and has also served as a member of the City Council. In religion he is a Methodist, the doctrines of which church are also supported by his family. To those in distress and want he is a kind friend, and among his neighbors he is respected for his manly traits of character and upright life.

GEORGE W. CRAWFORD, whose residence in this county dates from 1880, was born in West Carlisle, Coshocton County, Ohio, June 9, 1845, being a son of John and Rebecca J. (McCane) Crawford, natives of Virginia. Grandfather James Crawford emigrated to this country from Scotland and after a sojourn in Virginia came to Ohio and settled in Coshocton County, of which he was a pioneer. So early in its history did he settle there that the neighbors were few and at night the wolves howled around the cabin door. In the midst of the woods he cleared a farm, upon which he made valuable improvements. His first home was a log cabin, but prosperity coming to him he was enabled to pass his last years in a comfortable brick residence. Throughout the county he was known as one of the well-to-do farmers. His death occurred at the age of about seventy-five years. In religion he was a strict member of the Presbyterian church. He had a brother, John, who served as Probate Judge of Coshocton County.

The father of our subject was born in 1807 and was one in a family consisting of three sons and four daughters. Reared upon a farm, his life occupation was that of an agriculturist, and in connection with the tilling of the soil and improving of land he dealt extensively in live stock. At the time of his death, in 1851, he owned nearly one thousand acres of land. In religious belief he was a Presbyterian. The maternal grandfather of our subject, Samuel McCane, was born in Scotland, and emigrating to America, settled in Virginia, but from there removed to Ohio about eighty-five years ago. As a pioneer of Muskingum County he experienced all the hardships incident to life upon the frontier, without neighbors and in the midst of the woods. In order to reach the mill he was accustomed, as there were no roads, to follow an Indian trail to Zanesville, twenty miles distant. Clearing and improving a large tract of land, he bequeathed his property to his son Samuel, who in turn deeded it to his son Samuel, and the latter is now its owner. Although he never aspired to public office he was active in politics and a man of influence in his community. His death occurred at the age of nearly eighty years. Twice married, the mother of our subject was a daughter of the first union. She was born in 1810 and though now advanced in years is hale and vigorous, devoted to books and retaining a clear intellect; her home is in West Carlisle, Ohio.

In the parental family there were five sons and one daughter, namely: Samuel, who died at the age of thirteen years; Catherine, who married James Parks, a farmer and stock dealer of Coshocton County, and died in Utica, Ohio; James, an agriculturist residing in Perry Township, Licking County; Archibald, a farmer of West Carlisle, Ohio; George W., and John, a farmer of Coshocton County, Ohio. The subject of this sketch was reared on the home farm, and after attending the district schools for some time, entered Denison University, where he conducted his studies two years. After leaving school he traveled throughout the west, spending two years in sight-seeing. On his returning home he purchased a farm consisting of one hundred and sixty acres near West Carlisle, and settling thereon he gave his attention to the buying and selling of live stock.

Coming to Newark, Mr. Crawford purchased one hundred and thirty-eight acres and dealt in horses

of high grade, which he raised and shipped to various points. His farm is one of the finest in the county, containing among its improvements a neat residence and barn with accommodations for one hundred head of horses. He has shipped one thousand horses annually to New York, and has supplied one firm with horses valued at nearly $2,000,000. He is a fine judge of horse flesh, attends to all the buying and selling personally, and frequently acts as judge at county fairs and races.

In 1869 Mr. Crawford married Isabella, daughter of James and Isabella McKee, who came from the North of Ireland and settled in Coshocton County, Ohio. There her birth occurred. Three children have been born to them, Floyd, who died at the age of fifteen years; George Cary and Arthur Bert, graduates of the high school. While not taking active part in political affairs, Mr. Crawford casts his ballot with the Republican party and gives his influence in support of its measures.

JOHN TUCKER, one of Newark's prosperous business men, has been a dealer in stoves, tinware and plumbing goods since January 1, 1869, and is, therefore, the oldest representative of his line in the city. He is a native of Ohio, and was born in Beverly, Washington County, March 25, 1847, being a son of Alexander and Delilah (Hughes) Tucker, natives of Florence, Washington County, Pa. After their marriage they came to Ohio and settled upon a farm in Washington County, where the father died in 1850, at the age of forty-two years. The mother is still living in that county, and is now (1894) in her eightieth year.

There were in the parental family nine children, of whom eight attained mature years. Of these we note the following: Oliver is the President of the Bank of Beverly, and an influential citizen of that place; Thomas, who was a newspaper man, was for eight years Adjutant-General of New Mexico under President Grant and occupied a fine residence opposite the State House in Santa Fe; he is now deceased; Lycurgus was a dry-goods merchant at Beverly, where he died; Julia E. married Dr. Lucius Culver, a surgeon in the Union army, and they reside in Reinersville, Ohio; Caroline married William C. Townsend, an importer of marble and granite statuary, who resides at Zanesville but has offices in several of the principal cities of the United States; our subject is next in order of birth; W. Rufus is a hardware merchant of Beverly; and Alice resides with her mother at Beverly.

On coming to America the Tucker family settled in Virginia, where our subject's great-grandfather, John Tucker, was a planter and slaveholder, but opposing the idea of human slavery he gave all his slaves their freedom. Grandfather Thomas Tucker was born in a block house at Burgettstown, Pa., during an Indian siege. For some years he followed the sea, and frequently took boats from Pittsburg, Pa., to New Orleans, La., at times returning north via the ocean, but more often on horseback. In later life he came to Ohio and died in Washington County. The family was Presbyterian in religious belief.

Reared to manhood upon a farm, our subject was educated in the schools of Beverly. In 1865 he learned the tinner's trade at Cambridge, and from there came to Newark, where he embarked in business as a dealer in stoves and tinware. Later he added the plumbing business. In May, 1892, he purchased the Sims Patent Eave Trough and Patent Ornamental Roof Gutter, which he manufactures and ships to all parts of the United States, doing a large jobbing business under the firm name of the Sims Manufacturing Company. He is located at No. 71 East Main Street, where he has built and occupies a two-story brick structure, twenty-five feet wide and over two hundred feet long.

Mr. Tucker married Miss Ida I., daughter of Maj. Blackburn Moore, of the First Ohio Cavalry, who was killed in the battle of Stone River. She was born and reared in Newark, and by her marriage has had three children, Oliver M., Ralph J. and Helen. Politically, Mr. Tucker is a Democrat, and has represented his party as delegate to

various political conventions. For six years he has been County Commissioner and has also served as a member of the School Board. He and his wife attend the Episcopal Church. Socially, he is a thirty-second degree Mason, and is connected with the Knights of Pythias and the Red Men. His residence at No. 176 North Third Street is one of the finest in the city, and in addition he owns other valuable real estate.

WILLIAM HENRY ROE. It is doubtless owing to the industrious and persevering manner with which Mr. Roe has adhered to the occupation of an agriculturist that he has risen to such a substantial position in the farming affairs of this county. His entire life has been spent within the borders of Mary Ann Township, and as a natural result he is greatly interested in the progress and development of this section of the country, and has done his full share in making it the magnificent farming region that it now is.

The father of our subject, George J. Roe, has been a resident of this county since 1842, and is now numbered among its retired agriculturists. Beginning in business without capital, he accumulated a competence as a result of his industrious efforts. For some time he was employed at various lines of mechanical work and was "handy" with his tools, but never learned a trade. Farming was his chosen occupation and he tilled his land, adding such improvements as he was able until his tract of two hundred and forty-seven acres was in a high state of cultivation. He has liberally shared the earnings of his early life with his children, and has now but eighty acres of his own. As a citizen he has been progressive, and has held various official positions, among which may be mentioned those of Trustee, School Director and Township Clerk.

The Roe family was first represented in America about the year 1637, when Joseph Roe, a native of Germany, landed at Manhattan Island, during the early days of its settlement. He had been employed as a cabin boy on an English ship, but afterward made his home in the United States. The various branches of the family are now represented in nearly every state of the Union. For further facts in regard to the parentage and ancestry of our subject, the readers are referred to the biography of George J. Roe presented on another page of this volume.

Born in Mary Ann Township, this county, December 25, 1852, the subject of this sketch grew to manhood upon the farm where he still lives, meantime receiving such advantages as the schools of the district afforded. Subsequently through reading and observation he has become a man of broad information upon all topics of general interest. His marriage, which occurred December 7, 1876, united him with Miss Emma L. Beckford, of Putnam County, Ohio, and two children bless their union: Lulu Mary and Henry Wallace. The daughter has been a student in an academy for a short period and expects soon to enter college.

In every enterprise for the benefit of the community Mr. Roe takes an active interest, and in politics affiliates with the Democratic party. For several years he served as School Director, and was for two terms Township Assessor, but declined reelection. He is a public-spirited, wide-awake business man, possessing abilities above the average, and is highly esteemed as a capable and efficient farmer. Socially, he is a member of Acacia Lodge No. 464, A. F. & A. M., in which he has held various offices, being usually retained in some position of responsibility and honor.

ABNER LEONARD CLOUSE, one of Granville's most highly respected citizens, was born in New Philadelphia, Tuscarawas County, Ohio, October 7, 1839, and is a son of Rev. Noah and Rebecca (Ashbrook) Clouse. The paternal grandfather of our subject was Judge Ash-

brook, of Washington, Washington County, Pa. Rev. Noah Clouse is a native of the Keystone State and in early life learned the trade of a cabinet maker. Of a fervent religious temperament, he united with the Baptist Church, and for many years was one of its most prominent ministers. For a time he officiated as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Newark, and also at one time held the pastorate of the church at Granville.

Retiring from the ministry, Rev. Mr. Clouse in 1859 located where our subject now lives, and here he devoted his attention to the manufacture of agricultural implements, wood saws and patterns. He had also previously engaged in the foundry business at Vanatta. From Licking County he removed to Urbana, Ohio, and was employed as pattern maker for the Urbana Street Car Company. At present he is a resident of Haskins, Wood County, Ohio. He is a man whose exemplary life has won for him the commendation and confidence of a host of friends. When a minister he was earnest and efficient in the work of the church, and since transferring his attention to business pursuits, he displays the same qualities of energy and capability that had previously gained him success.

The subject of this sketch received an excellent education in the schools of Licking County. From the age of fourteen until he was twenty-one he worked in the old machine shop in Newton Township, where he acquired a thorough knowledge of mechanics and pattern making. For two years he also read medicine, but adverse circumstances prevented him from pursuing a complete course. He spent his life in the locality of his birth, engaged in farming and manufacturing, with the exception of a year spent in Toledo as pattern maker. He has ever been loyal to the welfare of the Government, and during the Civil War advocated the cause of the Union with fidelity and earnestness. Twice he attempted to enlist in the army, but both times was rejected on account of lung trouble.

December 24, 1858, Mr. Clouse was united in marriage with Miss Jane, daughter of Nelson Vanatta, a pioneer of Newton Township, and the gentleman in whose honor the village of Vanatta was named. They have had a family of four sons and three daughters, namely: William Leonard, a graduate of Denison University, and now a master mechanic and civil engineer of Tiffin, Ohio; Ida, wife of A. T. Sayre, of Guernsey County, and the mother of four children; Walter Noah, a member of the Class of '94 of Denison University; Albert, Estella L., Madie Bell and John E.

In politics a Republican, Mr. Clouse has been elected on that ticket to numerous offices of trust, in all of which he has rendered efficient service. For the past five years he has been Supervisor and is also a member of the Board of Education. From 1858 until 1860 he was Deputy Postmaster at Vanatta. In religious belief he and his family are communicants of the Baptist Church. Early in life he was forced to depend upon his own resources, and thus were developed in his character traits of independence and self-reliance. Not only did he educate himself, but he also assisted in educating a younger brother and sister, and a sister-in-law, and has given his children excellent educational advantages.

BENJAMIN D. VAN KIRK, of Union Township, is a representative of the native-born citizens of this county who have exercised a marked influence on its affairs, and have in various ways contributed to its social, commercial and material advancement. By strict economy on the part of himself and wife, they have been able to accumulate a competence, and their labors, directed by intelligence, have been crowned with success in every direction. Now retired from the active duties of agriculture, they are spending the afternoon of life in the enjoyment of the comforts accumulated in former years of toil.

The parents of our subject, John and Mary (Benjamin) Van Kirk, were natives respectively of New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The former came to Licking County in an early day and settled in Union Township, where he resided until his death, in 1822. The mother came to this county with her parents at the age of ten years; she survived her

husband many years, passing away in Granville, February 26, 1872. Her eldest child was Benjamin D., the subject of this notice, who was born July 25, 1818, on the present site of Union Station. His father dying when he was four years old, he was taken into the home of his grandfather, David Benjamin, with whom he remained until he was sixteen.

Starting out in life for himself, Mr. Van Kirk worked for a few months at the carpenter's trade, after which he was bound out to Allen Sinnett, with whom he remained four years, meantime learning the blacksmith's trade. He then went to Newark and for a few months was employed at his trade, after which he hired out to Mr. Sinnett at Granville and was in his employ several years. The year 1844 witnessed his arrival in Union Township, Licking County, where he built a shop and followed his trade. Meantime he also purchased a tract of unimproved land, comprising his present farm. This he cleared and placed under a high state of cultivation. For thirty-five years he followed the dual occupations of farmer and blacksmith, and then retired from the latter.

In Harrison Township, October 28, 1841, the ceremony was performed that united the destinies of Benjamin D. Van Kirk and Mahala M. Judd. Her parents, Wilson and Mary E. (Bean) Judd, were born in Vermont and New Hampshire respectively, were married in Genesee County, N. Y., and came to Ohio in 1817. After three years spent in Miami County, they came to Licking County and settled in Granville Township. In 1833 they removed to Harrison Township and made settlement on the farm where they died; she, September 24, 1872, and he, February 7, 1882. They were the parents of one son and two daughters, of whom Mrs. Van Kirk was the second. Her birth occurred in Spring Creek Township, Miami County, Ohio, August 11, 1820.

The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Van Kirk resulted in the birth of eight children. Wilson J. married Catherine Turner; George, a member of the One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Ohio Infantry, Company B, was taken prisoner in Virginia and confined in Andersonville Prison, where he died October 18, 1864. Lewis died in infancy; Syreno married Mary E. May; Anna is the wife of P. H. Williams; Mary died in infancy; Horatio married Mamie E. Cullers, and Horace chose as his wife Lucy V. Edwards. The eldest son, Wilson J., was born on Thursday, July 21, 1842, and Horatio and Horace (twins), were born on Thursday, July 21, 1859. On the 28th of October, 1891, Mr. and Mrs. Van Kirk, surrounded by their children and grandchildren and a host of friends, celebrated their golden wedding, and the occasion was rendered even more delightful by the many remembrances received from the people of the community.

The first house occupied by the Van Kirk family was a log building, but this pioneer abode was replaced in 1877 by the commodious dwelling which stands on the same site. Since the age of nineteen Mr. Van Kirk has been identified with the Methodist Episcopal Church, to which his wife has also belonged for many years.

THOMAS S. OFFICER, senior member of the firm of Officer & Wright, was born in Washington County, Pa., May 30, 1837. He is a son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Waldorf) Officer, who, removing from Pennsylvania to Ohio, settled in Wayne County, and there resided upon a farm until they died, the father at the age of sixty-two, and the mother when seventy-one.

Thomas S. is the next to the youngest of the parental family, consisting of eight children. He was a mere child when the family came to Ohio, and his boyhood years were spent upon the home farm, where early in life he was thoroughly initiated in every department of agriculture. Not caring to follow that occupation as his life work, he secured a position as clerk in a store at Holmesville, where he remained for three years. In March, 1859, he came to Utica and accepted a clerkship with S. A. Chapman.

The first business venture of Mr. Officer was made in 1862, when he opened a grocery store in Utica. From the first he had a good trade, which

continued to increase with every year. In 1864 he formed a partnership with S. C. Wright, and the connection then formed continues to the present day. The firm of Officer & Wright built and operated a sawmill, which, after carrying on for four years, they sold to Sinsabaugh & McConnell.

The marriage of Mr. Officer occurred in January, 1862, his wife being Christena D., daughter of V. B. Alsdorf and a native of New York. In his political affiliations Mr. Officer has always been firm in his allegiance to and support of the principles of the Republican party. He has held a number of local offices of trust and honor, including that of Township Treasurer, which he held for twenty years. For nine years he was a member of the City Council and for ten years served as Cemetery Trustee.

LEROY W. LE CRONE, M. D., a successful physician and surgeon of Hebron, is a native of Fairfield County, Ohio, having been born there May 17, 1840. His parents, Christian and Catherine (Sprinkle) LeCrone, were born in Fayette County, Pa., and in 1840 removed to Fairfield County, settling upon the farm where the remainder of their lives was spent. Their family included twelve children, who attained years of maturity, there being seven sons and five daughters. All the brothers except the Doctor and one brother engaged in the real-estate business in Columbus, Ohio, followed the occupation of their father.

The subject of this sketch, who was the ninth addition to the family circle, was educated in the public schools of Lancaster until 1858, when he entered the Ohio Central Normal College at Pleasantville. After one term in that institution he was for some time engaged alternately teaching and attending college, in that way paying his expenses without incurring an indebtedness at the normal. For one year each, he was employed as Principal of the public schools of Rushville and Reynoldsburg. In 1864 he began to read medicine in the office of Drs. Nourse & Brock, of Reynoldsburg, and in the winter of 1865–66 he took a course in medicine at the Starling Medical College of Columbus.

Opening an office at Greenup, Ill., the Doctor engaged in practice there for ten years. In 1876 he came to Hebron, and has since conducted his practice here, with the exception of the winter of 1881–82, when he took a course in the Columbus Medical College. In the winter of 1887–88 he entered the medical department of the University of Louisville, Ky., receiving a diploma from that institution in the spring of 1888. He also received diplomas from the Columbus Medical and Starling Medical Colleges. In the village of Hebron and the surrounding country he has built up a large practice. He has always taken an active interest in progressive science, and is a man generally well informed on topics outside of his professional work. Since 1881 he has been Treasurer of Hebron Township, and is at present President of the Board of Education in Hebron, with which he has been connected almost ever since he came to the place.

In 1863 Dr. LeCrone married, at Rushville, Ohio, Miss Mary M. Fartney, a native of that city. Three children were born to this union, of whom Charles D. died at the age of seventeen years. He was an exemplary youth, and his untimely death was the cause of sorrow with all who knew him. Samuel, residing with his parents, was in the employ of a railroad company for some time, but on account of injuries received while thus engaged has retired from the road. Minnie L., the only daughter, married Edgar Benton and resides in Bucyrus, Ohio. She has had two children, the eldest of whom, Marie, died at the age of thirteen months.

Socially the Doctor is identified with Williams Lodge No. 363, I. O. O. F., at Hebron, of which he is Past Grand, and has held other official positions. In 1893 he was a candidate for nomination to the office of Treasurer of Licking

County. An active, energetic Democrat, he has always worked and voted for the best interests of his party. His brothers are stanch Republicans; his father was an old line Whig, and after they were merged into the Republican party never affiliated with any political organization.

SYLVESTER STONE, a representative farmer of Union Township, was born on the farm where he now lives May 31, 1846, being the fifth among nine children comprising the family of Thomas and Julia (Hight) Stone. His father, who was also born on this farm, the date of his birth being April 12, 1807, died at the age of seventy-five years. His wife, whom he married in Licking County, October 28, 1837, was a native of Hagerstown, Md., born April 8, 1816.

The grandfather of our subject, Thomas Stone, Sr., was born in Prince William County, Va., February 27, 1767, and emigrating to Ohio in 1803, entered a large tract of land from the Government. At that early day Indians were numerous, but never hostile, and although it was in their power to crush out with ease the little settlement, they showed no hostile inclinations, but daily associated with the pioneers on terms of friendship. On the 24th of February, 1788, Thomas Stone, Sr., married Barbara, daughter of Christopher Wise; she was born near Baltimore, Md., in 1769, and died in September 16, 1848. Grandfather Stone passed away January 5, 1847, aged seventy-nine years, ten months and eight days. On coming to this state he had brought his wife and child with him, making the long journey on horseback.

The eldest child of Thomas Stone, Jr., was Matilda, wife of Isaac Slocum, of Union Township; Wilson S., who lives on a part of the old homestead, has been twice married, his second wife being Eva Hurst; Elnora, who was born February 21, 1844, died January 25, 1862; an infant died unnamed; Sylvester is the next in order of birth; Sarah, who was born August 28, 1849, became the wife of N. R. Buckland, and they with their five children occupy a beautiful home near that belonging to our subject; Mary C., born January 31, 1851, is the wife of William Hand, who owns a farm in Union Township and is a resident of Kirkersville, Ohio; Minnie, born May 20, 1854, married James Harris, a merchant at Kirkersville. The youngest in the family was a son that was born August 18, 1859, and died the same day.

Upon the home farm our subject grew to manhood. At the age of twenty-five years he married Miss Adeline Slocum, who died after three years of wedded life, leaving one child, Chili, now the wife of Linneus Grove, residing on a farm adjoining that of our subject. In 1879 Mr. Stone was united in marriage with Miss Sophia Defenbaugh, a native of Fairfield County, Ohio, and a member of a Pennsylvania family that traced its ancestry to Germany. She came to Licking County as a school teacher, which profession she followed successfully until her marriage. One child has blessed the union, a daughter, Nellie.

From his father's estate Mr. Stone inherited seventy-seven acres, a portion of the original tract entered by his grandfather about one hundred years ago. Politically he is an active worker in the Democratic party. He gives of his means to the support of the Gospel and other religious and benevolent institutions. His grandfather was a Deacon in the Baptist Church, and the preferences of the descendants have been in that direction.

ALBERT JOSEPH, who owns and occupies one of Pataskala's pleasant homes, was born near Kirkersville, Licking County, March 7, 1839, being a son of John and Amelia (Peters) Joseph, natives respectively of Licking and Fairfield Counties. The paternal grandfather of our subject, Ezekiel Joseph, was one of the earliest settlers of Licking County, and here after

making settlement his remaining years were spent. Twice married, John was the only son of the first union. He was born in 1814, and was reared to manhood upon the home place, enduring all the vicissitudes and privations incident to life upon the frontier. After his marriage he resided near the present site of Pataskala, where he was proprietor of a hotel. Later he lived on a farm near Kirkersville, into which village he moved in the fall of 1839. His life occupation was that of agriculture, and he also was in considerable demand as a veterinary surgeon. No man understood horse flesh better than he, and he was a successful dealer in good grades of horses. His wife died in 1851, and thirteen years later, in 1864, he followed her to the grave.

Our subject is one of three children, his older brother being Harrison, a jeweler of Mattoon, Ill. His sister, Caroline, is the wife of Alexander C. Burt, of Columbus. The second wife of John Joseph was Sarah Hooper, and they became the parents of two children, one of whom died in childhood. The other, Sheldon, is a resident of Columbus. The parents were members of the Baptist Church and a worthy couple, held in the highest esteem by all who knew them. Albert, of this sketch, was reared to manhood in Kirkersville and in the common schools of that place he received his schooling, but he had more education in manual labor than in books.

The business career of Mr. Joseph commenced with his clerkship in a general store. In 1863 he opened a grocery store, which, however, he soon sold, and afterward conducted a livery business and dealt in horses. In 1868 he came to Pataskala and in partnership with Samuel Peters engaged in the grain trade, Mr. Howe being later taken into the firm. In 1872 W. H. Mead, Sr., bought an interest in the enterprise and the firm has since been Joseph & Mead. In addition to this business, our subject also deals in horses, carries on a livery stable and conducts an extensive coal trade.

In 1863 Mr. Joseph was united in marriage with Miss Cloa E., daughter of George Tiffaney, and a native of Licking County. They have one son, Harry, who is a partner in the livery business. Though not taking an active part in politics, Mr. Joseph always casts a straight Democratic ticket at the various local and general elections. Since 1881 he has filled the position of Township Treasurer, and he has also held other local offices. His religious belief brings him into active co-operation with the Methodist Episcopal Church, to which he belongs. For nine years he has served as Superintendent of the Sunday-school, and is also prominent in the work of the church.

JOSEPH RITCHIE. Coming to Licking County in 1843, the subject of this sketch has since made his home here, and though now advanced in years, he still superintends the management of his farm adjoining Columbia Centre and one and one-quarter miles from Pataskala. During the fifty-one years of his residence in this locality he has witnessed the development of the material resources of the county, and its advancement along educational, moral and commercial lines, until it has now attained a foremost rank in the galaxy of the counties of the Buckeye State.

Born in Washington County, Pa., October 12, 1816, our subject is the son of William and Elizabeth (Atkison) Ritchie, natives respectively of Washington County, Pa., and Liverpool, England. There were seven children born to this family, four sons and three daughters, but Joseph is the only survivor. His father followed the occupation of a farmer, and also for some time engaged in teaching school. He died in Pennsylvania in 1827, at the age of forty-two years, and eighteen months later his wife also passed away. They were conscientious, earnest members of the Presbyterian Church, the rules of which they strictly kept.

On his mother's side our subject is of English descent. His maternal grandfather, John Atkison, was born in England and there married. On coming to America he settled in Washington County, Pa., where he remained until death. Our subject's

paternal grandfather, Craig Ritchie, was born in Scotland and emigrated to this country about the time of the Revolutionary War. He attained an advanced age. Both the paternal and maternal ancestors were people of upright character, fixed principles of honor, and energetic disposition, and wherever they resided they were known and honored.

Reared in Washington County, Pa., our subject commenced to learn the trade of a blacksmith at the age of thirteen years, and this occupation he followed until twenty-six. On the 4th of October, 1837, he was united in marriage with Miss Susanna Stoolfire, daughter of Charles and Elizabeth (Froniker) Stoolfire. Six sons and two daughters were born of their union, namely: Jerome, William Butler, Lucius, Nathan B., Charles W., Joseph H., Louisa H. and Mary C. Jerome married Miss Sarah Jane Gardner, and they with their four children, Herbert, Etta, Joseph and Blanche, live in Union County, Ohio. William B., a resident of Van Wert County, Ohio, married Miss Emma Shannon, and after her death was united with Ellen J. Ritchie; they have one child living, Lucius.

Our subject's third son, Lucius, enlisted in Company B, One Hundred and Thirteenth Ohio Infantry, under Captain Taylor; while with the army in Tennessee he was taken ill and died there. Nathan B. died unmarried at the age of about thirty years. Charles W. chose as his wife Miss Mattie B. Wright, and they have two children, Ethel and Mabel; their home is at Magnetic Springs, Union County, Ohio. Joseph H. was united with Miss Mary B. Merchant, and four children have resulted from their union, Clyde, Roy, Herbert and Anna; they live in Van Wert County, Ohio. Louisa H., wife of James W. White, has two children, Joseph and Nellie, and resides in Union County. Mary C., Mrs. Martin B. Lee, has three children, Dora, Anna and Harry, and is a resident of Van Wert County.

Politically Mr. Ritchie is a Republican, and served a number of terms as Township Trustee. He has lived in Licking County for fifty-one years, and during forty-six years of this time he has been Class-leader in the United Brethren Church. His wife is identified with the Disciples' Church. They have a pleasant rural home convenient to both Pataskala and Columbia Centre, and in their old age are surrounded by all the comforts contributing to the happiness of life.

COL. HAMLIN D. BURCH, who is engaged in the mercantile business at Hebron, was born in Muskingum County, Ohio, September 21, 1846. His parents, also natives of that county, were Jonathan and Elizabeth (Doughty) Burch, the former born in 1811, and died October 19, 1881; the latter born in 1809, and departed this life July 15, 1882. In 1859 the father sold his farm in Muskingum County, and removed to Hebron, where both he and his wife died. Their family consisted of seven children who attained years of maturity, two having died in early childhood. One brother, Leonidas F., who enlisted in Company H, Thirty-first Ohio Infantry, was taken prisoner at the battle of Chickamauga, and died in Andersonville Prison.

Another brother, Homer C., also belonged to Company H, Thirty-first Ohio Infantry, and at the battle of Resaca received a wound from the effects of which, coupled with other disabilities, his death resulted. The other member of the family are: Richard W., who is married and lives in Hebron; David P., a merchant of Hebron; Joseph B., who is employed in a glass factory at Newark; and Mary E., wife of Frank Chison, of Hebron. The children received excellent common-school educations, and were well qualified by training for the successful management of large business enterprises.

Shortly after the outbreak of the Civil War, our subject, though a mere lad, determined to fight for the preservation of the Union. Accordingly in September, 1862, he entered Company A, Tenth Ohio Cavalry, and experienced three years of active service. His cavalry corps under the command of General Kilpatrick was with Sherman and took part in many skirmishes, where the peril was

even greater than in the more important engagements. Resaca was his first prominent battle. This was followed by the march to Atlanta and the siege of that place, then the march to the sea, and from there through the Carolinas. After the surrender of Johnson in North Carolina, the regiment was stationed at Salem, N.C., until August, 1865, when the horses and equipments were turned over to the Government, and the cavalrymen proceeded by cars to Richmond, Washington and Cleveland. In the last named city they were mustered out of the service.

On his return home Colonel Burch became a clerk in a mercantile store and continued thus engaged until 1869, when he bought out a store in Hebron. For twenty-two years he sold goods at the old stand, but in November of 1893 he removed into his own fine business block, where he has a neat and convenient place of business. April 24, 1869, he married Miss Candace, daughter of Thomas and Eunice A. Ruick, the latter of whom died when Mrs. Burch was a child. Her father is now a contractor and builder of St. Louis, and at one time was wealthy, but through an unfortunate investment in a silver mine in Nevada he lost a handsome fortune. Mrs. Burch was educated in the schools of Watertown, N. Y., and was an accomplished lady. Death, however, on the 17th of January, 1894, removed her from her husband and children. Of the latter there are five: Otto E., Frank C., Rose Lee, Bertie T. and Charles H. The eldest son married Lyda Vorhees, and lives in Medina County, where he is a telegraph operator.

Colonel Burch gained the title by which he is familiarly known through his connection with the Ohio National Guards, which he joined in 1878. For two years he was First Lieutenant, for three terms served as Captain of his company, and is now Lieutenant-Colonel of the Seventeenth Regiment. As a member of the Guards he has seen considerable service, having been frequently called out to suppress strikes and riots. In 1879 he had command of his company when called out to suppress the Corning coal strikes, and upon that occasion there was a severe fight before peace was restored. He was also at Cincinnati when the mob destroyed the court house and sixty rioters were killed. The trouble grew out of dissatisfaction with the verdict of the jury in the Burner case.

In political sentiment Colonel Burch is a Republican. Under the first administration of President Grant he was appointed Postmaster at Hebron, and served in that position until the election of President Cleveland. Later, when Benjamin Harrison succeeded to the Presidency, he was again appointed Postmaster, serving four years. Since 1867 he has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to which his wife also belonged. For fifteen years he served as Superintendent of the Sunday-school, and in the church has filled the positions of Trustee, Class-leader and Steward.

JAMES A. CULLY, Trustee of Union Township, was born upon his father's farm in the township of Union, Licking County, Ohio, February 18, 1847. He is the youngest of eight children comprising the family of the late Thomas and Mary (Taylor) Cully, and was reared beneath the parental roof, receiving the advantages of a practical education in the neighboring schools. Having completed the studies of the district schools he entered Denison University at Granville, where he was a student for three years.

At the age of about eight years, our subject was orphaned by his father's death, after which he continued to live at home with his mother until attaining his majority. He then took charge of the home farm, which at the death of his mother became his by inheritance. Farming has been his life occupation and he is now the owner of about one hundred and seventy-five acres. In local affairs has maintained an intelligent interest, and is a firm advocate of Democratic principles, which he believes best adapted to the welfare of our country. Since 1889 he has officiated as Township Trustee, in which capacity he has rendered efficient and capable service. Socially he holds membership in Williams Lodge No. 363, I. O. O. F.

In Union Township Mr. Cully was united in marriage with Miss Margaret Welch, who is a

daughter of the late William Welch, the latter having died in Missouri. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Cully has been blessed by the birth of two children, whom they have named Thomas W. and Taylor C.

HON. ELIZUR ABBOTT was born in Wellingford, Conn., February 11, 1801, and died at Granville, Ohio, October 4, 1877. He was the oldest of eight children, five sons and three daughters, comprising the family of Samuel and Lois (Ives) Abbott. When he was sixteen years of age the family moved to Worthington, Ohio. At twenty-two he was united in marriage with Miss Clarissa, daughter of Jesse and Hannah Munson, of Granville, and afterward took up his residence in that place. In 1833 he removed to Marysville, Ohio, and two years later was elected Associate Judge for Union County by the unanimous vote of the legislature of the state. About the same time he was chosen Elder of the Presbyterian Church of Marysville.

In 1837 the family returned to Granville, which place became their permanent home. In 1840 Mr. Abbott was elected a member of the Board of Trustees of Granville Female College, and soon thereafter was chosen Secretary of the Board. This position he held until nearly thirty years later, when he resigned on account of failing eyesight. For many years he was connected with the Granville Furnace Company, and also with the Granville Bank. In 1850 he was elected to the position of Associate Judge of Licking County, and discharged the duties of that office until it was abolished by the adoption of the new constitution. The same year he was chosen Deacon of the Congregational Church of Granville, and in 1870, at the time of its reorganization as a Presbyterian Church, he was elected one of the Elders. For over thirty years the same Sunday-school class enjoyed his devoted labors.

In every position in which Mr. Abbott was honored with public confidence, he was most faithful and efficient. His early education was received in the academies of Canton and Hartford, Conn., and to the information there gained he afterward added by self-culture and extensive reading. Making a profession of religion at the age of fourteen, all his habits of thinking and acting, and his views of life and business, were formed under the controlling and directing power of the highest, truest principles, and the love of Christ, so that he developed and maintained a character of rare purity, strength and usefulness. His memory will long be cherished in the church and community, where his Christian graces shone so brightly, and were his consistent, earnest life was so highly valued and admired.

HON. EDWIN NICHOLS, deceased, was born in Springfield, Windsor County, Vt., April 14, 1828, and traces his ancestry to some of the passengers on board the "Mayflower." He is the youngest of ten children comprising the family of Amos and Sarah (Falls) Nichols, who in 1831 removed to Ohio. Settling in Lock they there continued to reside until 1844, when they passed from earth.

In his youth our subject attended school in Waukesha, Wis., and from there came to Newark, where he learned the trade of a carpenter. While following this occupation he also taught school in this place, occupying the only school building then in Newark. At the outbreak of the Civil War he raised a company, of which he was originally Captain and was later, by successive promotions, chosen Colonel, though he still retained the title of Major. With Company C, of the Twenty-seventh Ohio Regiment, he entered service and for three years and nine months he rendered faithful and efficient service to his country, being at last obliged to resign on account of ill-health. He filled the position of Deputy Provost-Marshal until it was abandoned.

After the war Mr. Nichols engaged as storekeeper in a distillery at Newark, remaining there

for three years. Later he was engaged in the book trade and then, in partnership with Dr. A. T. Speer, embarked in the drug business, of which he afterward became sole proprietor and with his children carried on the concern until about 1891. For some time he was a member of the City Council and also served two terms as Mayor. He was President of the Home Building Association, the Ohio Publishing Company and the Pioneers' Association. Politically, he gave his support to the men and principles advocated by the Republican party. Socially, he affiliated with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Masonic fraternity, Union Veterans' League and the Grand Army of the Republic. He was reared in the Presbyterian faith, and although he never identified himself with any denomination he always lived an upright and strictly moral life.

December 22, 1865, Mr. Nichols married Miss Mary, daughter of T. G. and Mary (Anderson) Speer. She was born in Jersey Township, Licking County, November 5, 1844, and by her marriage has had one child, Edwin, a physician of Newark. By his previous marriage to Adelia Speer, sister of his widow, Mr. Nichols had two children, Harry A. and Delmer T.

EDWIN JONES, who is one of the successful agriculturists of the county, resides in St. Alban's Township. He is the owner of one hundred and twelve acres of well improved land and is prosecuting his chosen calling with a zeal and energy that almost invariably brings success. His life furnishes an illustration of the fact that the industry and perseverance of an intelligent man can make the fertile acres of our country give forth rich treasures, far more precious than the fabled gold of El Dorado.

The family of which our subject is a representative originated in Wales, where were born both his parents, Maurice and Jane (Glynn) Jones, the birth of the latter occurring in 1808. The father settled in Pennsylvania at the age of twenty-one years, and after spending some time in the Keystone State came to Ohio and settling in Licking County, purchased a farm in Newton Township. Clearing his land, he gave his attention to its cultivation and improvement until his death, which occurred about 1872. In Licking County occurred his marriage to Miss Jane Glynn, who died many years prior to his demise, passing away in Newton Township, March 27, 1851.

Unto Maurice and Jane Jones were born twelve children, of whom the following attained years of maturity: Sarah J., Edwin, John V., Enoch, Elizabeth, Maurice R., Mary Ann and Caroline. The subject of this sketch was born in Newton Township, Licking County, April 22, 1833, and was reared to manhood upon his father's farm, his boyhood years passing uneventfully in mingled work and play. Agriculture his been his life occupation, and he has been thus engaged first in Newton and later in St. Alban's Township. The year 1865 witnessed his removal to the latter township, and here he has since resided, meantime giving his attention to the sowing of seed and harvesting of grain. Upon his farm may be noticed the usual improvements of a modern estate. There are fields of grain, also pastures of convenient size. The residence is neat in appearance, modern in design and attractive in its furnishings.

In Granville Township, March 28, 1859, occurred the marriage of Edwin Jones to Phœbe A. Pittsfield, and they became the parents of three children, namely: Oscar J., who is engaged in the mercantile business in Winfield, Kan.; Jennie M. wife of Rev. P. W. Longfellow, of Grand Fork, N. Dak., and Phœbe A., who married Reuben F. Tyler, of St. Alban's Township. The wife and mother passed away in Newton Township, March 2, 1864. The second marriage of Mr. Jones was solemnized in Granville Township, March 12, 1865, uniting him with Susan N. Booth. The children born of this union are four in number, as follows: Mary E.; Caroline B., wife of Dr. F. Williams, of Columbus; Anna, and Edna.

The great issues of the present age receive careful consideration from Mr. Jones, but in local affairs he does not take an active part, preferring to give his attention wholly to his farm work. A

sincere Christian, he gives his support to the Baptist Church, with which he is connected. Although he began life without means he has steadily worked his way upward, overcoming by perseverance the obstacles in his path, and is now numbered among the substantial farmers of the community.

REV. WILLIAM HENSLEY, of Hopewell Township, is held in high esteem for his honorable career as agriculturist and local minister, and for his worth as a citizen of unblemished character. For thirty years or more he has preached the Gospel, and in the Methodist Episcopal Church he is an active and influential officer. Much of his attention has been devoted to agricultural pursuits, and his farm proves conclusively the energetic supervision of the owner.

In Muskingum County, Ohio, the subject of this notice was born March 19, 1819, to John P. and Elizabeth (Hill) Hensley. His parents were natives of the Old Dominion and came to Ohio in 1805, enduring the hardships of pioneer life among the early settlers of Muskingum County. Thence in 1832 they came to Licking County. Their family consisted of four children, two of whom are deceased. Besides our subject the only member of the family now living is Julia Ann, wife of Ashard Critten and a resident of Pulaski County, Ind.

The boyhood days of our subject were spent on his father's farm, which is comprised in his present homestead. On the 4th of January, 1838, he married Miss Louisa Lake, a daughter of Willis and Annie (Grigsby) Lake, natives of Virginia, who came to this country in an early day and settled in Licking County. Mrs. Hensley was one of eight children, of whom there are now living besides herself a sister, Elizabeth Critten, whose home is in Putnam County, Ohio, and a brother, Ashford Lake, a resident of Iowa. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Hensley has been blessed by the birth of four children, viz.: Sarah Ann, now the wife of Abraham Brown, of Kansas; Ashford L., who resides in Louisville, Ky.; Mary Elizabeth, who married H. M. McCracken, of Licking County, and has two children; Austin P., of Newark, who is connected with the Borton Institute.

Upon his one hundred acres Mr. Hensley has erected substantial farm buildings, including a comfortable residence. In the winter of 1840 he became converted and since then he has been a faithful, consistent Christian. At present he holds the position of local Elder in the Methodist Episcopal Church. In political affairs he takes the Democratic view and votes and works with that party. However, he is not narrow minded in his opinions and if he considers the Republican candidate better qualified for the office, he transfers his allegiance pro tem to that party. In the community he is considered one of the substantial, industrious and prominent citizens. He is ever ready to lend a helping hand to the poor and needy, and is an active supporter of the right and equally earnest in his opposition to the wrong.

CHARLES A PIGG, who upon his farm in Madison Township raises all kinds of grain and stock and also devotes considerable attention to the dairy business, was born in the township where he now resides, the date of his birth being December 29, 1834. He is the eldest child of George and Jane (Knox) Pigg, who came to Madison Township in 1834 and rented a farm for several years thereafter, later purchasing the place where Charles A. now lives. In the family were four sons and one daughter. The latter became the wife of Sidney Smith and made her home upon a farm near that belonging to our subject, until her death which occurred January 4, 1883. The brothers are William, whose sketch is presented on another page of this volume; George, who married Clara Shaw and resides on a portion of the old homestead, and David, who chose as his wife Eliza Avery and resides in Newark, where he is Justice of the Peace. The three brothers living

here purchased the interests of David and Isabella, the sister, in the old home place. At the time of the division of the estate, the property consisted of three hundred and forty acres, of which Charles A. is the owner of one hundred and six acres.

Alternating attendance at the neighboring schools with work upon the home farm, our subject passed the happy and busy days of boyhood and youth. Upon starting out in life for himself he chose the occupation of an agriculturist, and to this he has devoted his entire attention. His parents are both deceased. His father, who was born in Northumberland County, England, March 8, 1799, died September 16, 1862, after having accumulated a valuable and well improved property. The mother, a native of the same place as her husband, was born August 6, 1809, and died September 4, 1882. From a long line of worthy English ancestors, our subject has inherited qualities of determination and force of character, and to these he adds the American qualifications of enterprise and push.

In Madison Township, May 14, 1878, occurred the marriage of Charles A. Pigg and Miss Cyrena Stadden, daughter of Matthias and Zevalena(Huse) Stadden. Her father was born in 1817, in Madison Township, Licking County, to which place her paternal grandfather had come in 1800. She is one of three children, having an older brother, Rollin, in Clinton County, and a younger brother, Clarence, on the old homestead. The only child of Mr. and Mrs. Pigg is Edward E., who was born June 2, 1882, and is now a student in the district schools. Mrs. Pigg is a cultured lady and was a school teacher for a number of years before her marriage.

In political sentiment Mr. Pigg is a Democrat and keeps himself well informed concerning the issues of the day, but has never sought or desired public office. However, he has been chosen to serve in various positions of trust and is now serving his sixth year as Trustee of the Township, an office which has control of all elections, the township poor, roads, taxes, etc. Though reared in the Methodist faith, he and his wife are identified with the Christian Church. He operates a mixed farm, raising the various cereals as well as good grades of stock. He has a number of Jersey cows and is engaged in the dairy business, the quality of his dairy products being of such a high grade that they command better prices than those for the ordinary product.

ALEX. OATMAN, a resident of Eden Township, has spent his entire life in Licking County, and is well known among its agriculturists and business men. He was born in Mary Ann Township, February 18, 1855, and is a son of Charles and Esther (McDowell) Oatman. His paternal grandfather, Andrew Oatman, came to Ohio in an early day, and settling in Licking County, became the owner of a farm in Mary Ann Township, where his death occurred. His family consisted of three sons and five daughters, namely: Harriet, who married Harvey Beeney and resides in Mary Ann Township; Eliza, who married Lemuel Westbrook and died in Mary Ann Township; Emily, who died unmarried; Jemima, Mrs. John Vanatta, who died in Licking County; Nancy, who was taken from earth in childhood; Charles, father of our subject; Warren, and George, of Newton Township.

The life occupation of Andrew Oatman was that of a general farmer, and he was thus engaged in Mary Ann Township, with the exception of four years spent in Allen County, Ind., until his death, meantime becoming the owner of valuable property. His widow survives him and makes her home in Licking County. They had four children, as follows: Cordelia, wife of Levi Billman, of Newark; Alex; Mary, who died unmarried, and George, whose home is in Mary Ann Township.

No event of special importance occurred during the boyhood and youth of our subject. He remained with his parents until 1875, when he established domestic ties, being then united with Sarah M. Stillwell, a native of Eden Township and daughter of Lewis and Priscilla Stillwell. Mrs. Oatman is a lady of pleasant disposition and an

earnest, faithful member of the United Brethren Church. She presides over her home graciously, and all who cross its threshold are welcomed to comfort and true hospitality. In her own right she owns two hundred and forty-nine acres of valuable land. There is but one child, a son, Frank, who was born May 28, 1877.

Although he began his business career with little capital, Mr. Oatman has steadily worked his way upward, overcoming by perseverance the obstacles in his path, and is now numbered among the substantial farmers of the community. In politics he is unswerving in his allegiance to the Democratic party. He is a man of sound views on all the important questions of the day, and is well dowered with tenacity of purpose, sagacious and independent judgment and other traits necessary to success in any vocation.

BENJAMIN A. STILLWELL still resides upon the old homestead where he was born more than sixty years ago. He is one of the successful agriculturists of Eden Township and engages in general farming upon his estate of two hundred and three acres. Both in his life and in his external surroundings he is certainly worthy to attract the attention of the biographer, and is a man of sturdy principle, who will stand by what he believes to be right, without fear or favor.

The Stillwell family was for several generations resident in Virginia, where our subject's paternal grandfather, Elias, made his home. The parents, David and Maria (Fauk) Stillwell, were natives of Virginia and Maryland, and were married in the state last named. Coming to Ohio they settled in Eden Township, Licking County, and thence, in 1865, removed to Knox County. He was residing near Bladensburg when his death occurred in 1872, at the age of seventy-six years. His wife had died six years previous to his demise. His trade was that of a tanner, at which he was employed throughout his entire business life.

There were in the family nine children who attained years of maturity, namely: Elias, deceased; Harriet, who married Thomas Miller and removed to Kansas; Gazelda, Mrs. William Young, who died in Illinois; Lewis, who died in Eden Township; Evaline, who married John Sanders and died in Eden Township; Mary, wife of William Beeney, residing in Knox County; James, of Eden Township; Benjamin A., and David, who died at the age of twenty-three years. The subject of this sketch was born in Eden Township, June 11, 1833, and in boyhood worked at the tanners' trade, but the occupation not being congenial to him, he turned his attention to agriculture and has since been thus engaged.

The marriage of Mr. Stillwell united him with a lady whose amiability of character and thorough culture have made her a congenial companion and suitable helpmate. She was Sarah, daughter of John and Eliza (Varner) McQueen, and was born in Fallsbury Township, Licking County. They have had four children, the youngest of whom, Lewis by name, died in infancy. The others are: Franklin, who resides in Newark, Ohio; Ella, who married Cary Harris and lives in Mary Ann Township, and Orlando, who resides with his parents.

While agricultural affairs engage Mr. Stillwell's attention, they do not do so to the exclusion of public-spirited enterprises and movements of local importance. He takes an active interest in politics and is a Democrat in national issues, but in local matters supports the man and the measure, rather than any political organization. His membership is with the Methodist Episcopal Church, to the good work of which he is ever ready to contribute.

SOLON HAZELTON, dealer in agricultural implements, embarked in this business at Alexandria about 1886. He began upon a small scale, but from time to time has enlarged his stock as the volume of his trade increased until he is now one of the most successful business men of the place. His establishment is well supplied with all kinds of farm implements, and by his un-

tiring efforts, genial courtesy and fair dealing he has secured a liberal share of the public patronage.

In the Green Mountain State the eyes of our subject first opened to the light. He was born in the township of Essex, Chittenden County, November 26, 1823, to the union of John and Fannie (Bates) Hazelton, natives respectively of New Hampshire and Vermont. His parents came to Ohio in 1833, and settling in Licking County, resided in Granville Township for a few years. Thence removing to St. Alban's Township, they continued to reside there until their death. By occupation he was a farmer, and in political matters a stanch Democrat. His family numbered the following named eight children: Solon, Isaac N., Almira, Samuel, Arthur, Josephine, Herman and Betsey.

When ten years old our subject accompanied the family to Licking County and afterward remained under the parental roof until he was about eighteen, when he started out in life for himself. Prior to the age of twenty-one he was employed in farming, after which he was for a short time engaged in the manufacture of wheat fans and then traveled over the country selling them, for three years in the employ of others and two years on his own account. Then purchasing some land in St. Alban's Township, he began the life of an agriculturist, in which he continued exclusively until 1861. Retaining its general supervision, though no longer actively engaged in tilling the soil, he went to Shelbyville and resumed his former business, engaging in the manufacture of wheat fans for one year. In 1862 he went to Indianapolis, and was similarly employed for one year. He then returned to his farm in St. Alban's Township, which he still owns and operates, though giving his attention mainly to the agricultural implement business. His farm consists of eighty-seven acres, and is under excellent cultivation.

In St. Alban's Township occurred the marriage of Solon Hazelton and Miss Mary L. Beaumont. She is a daughter of the late Isaiah and Hettie (Carpenter) Beaumont, who migrated from Pennsylvania to Ohio in an early day and made settlement in St. Alban's Township, Licking County, where they remained until death. Mr. and Mrs. Hazelton have had three children, the eldest of whom, Frank, died at the age of about five years. Lizzie, the older daughter, is the wife of William P. Bowman; Carrie, the younger daughter, married R. W. Smith, of Alexandria.

Mr. and Mrs. Hazelton are truly representative members of the farming community of St. Alban's Township, as well as the business element of Alexandria, being enterprising and industrious. The Democratic party claims the hearty allegiance and co-operation of Mr. Hazelton, and to it he gives his support. In his religious views he is liberal; his wife is a devoted member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which she finds a broad field of labor and usefulness.

ELIAS B. OSBORN, a general farmer and stock-raiser of St. Alban's Township, was born in Franklin County, Ohio, June 7, 1850. He is a son of Joseph and Henrietta (Wiro) Osborn, the former a native of New Jersey, the latter born in Pennsylvania. They accompanied their respective parents to Ohio, and settling in Franklin County, there met and married. Of their four children, Elias B. is the second in respect to birth. He was reared to manhood upon the home farm, and after completing the studies of the common schools, entered the Reynoldsburg High School. On discontinuing his studies he gave his attention to farm pursuits, and has since been thus engaged.

In 1873 was solemnized the marriage of Elias B. Osborn and Hattie Blakesley, a native of Medina County, Ohio, and the daughter of Chauncey Blakesley. They are the parents of two children, sons, named Herbert and Arthur A. In religious connections they belong to the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which Mr. Osborn is now serving as a Trustee. In addition to the raising of cereals, he has devoted considerable time and attention to stock-raising, in which department of agriculture he has met with success. He owns and cultivates

one hundred and fifty-five acres of fine land, of which one hundred were given him by his father. While farming engages his attention, it does not do so to the exclusion of the public welfare, and as a stanch friend of the Republican party, he gives his influence for its candidates and its measures. He has served as Township Trustee, in which position he represented his fellow-citizens with energy and capability.

ANDREW BEARD, of Licking Township, has engaged in farming and stock-raising throughout his business career. He now owns an excellent farm of four hundred and fifty acres, much of which is under a high state of cultivation and yields him a golden tribute for the care and labor he bestows upon it. He is laborious in the attention he bestows upon his land, and the performance of his duties brings him a very satisfactory financial return.

The father of our subject, Thomas Beard, was one of the early settlers of Licking County, having come here in boyhood and settled in Licking Township. Here he married Rachel Pitzer, daughter of Richard Pitzer, one of the pioneers of the township. After his marriage Mr. Beard engaged in farming pursuits in Licking County until his death, which occurred in 1844. Though a native of New Jersey, his life was principally spent in Ohio, and he was a witness of much of the development of Licking County. His widow, who still survives (1894), is now eighty-seven years of age. They have a family of ten children: Joseph, Anna, Maria, Andrew, Margaret, Catherine, Sarah, John, James and Rachel.

The second son in the family was Andrew, the subject of this notice, who was born in Licking Township January 10, 1835. In play and work, in the usual manner of farmer lads, he spent the days of childhood and youth, receiving a fair education in the district schools. In Licking Township, September 14, 1857, he married Miss Eliza H. Headly, a daughter of Usual and Elizabeth Headley, who died in this township. Mrs. Beard is one of six children, whose names are, Gamaiel, Jane, Elizabeth, Eliza H., Helom and Marilla. She was born in Muskingum County, Ohio, August 12, 1835, and by her marriage with our subject has become the mother of six children. Charlenia is the wife of Dr. O. N. Wolcott, of Columbus, Ohio; Lua W. married W. E. Wallace, a resident of Licking Township; Etta G. is the wife of W. O. Croyall; Edward V. chose as his helpmate Miss Margaret Stewart; Glennia is the wife of A. E. Lewis, of Bowling Green Township; Andrew F. completes the family circle.

Mr. Beard has held the office of Township Treasurer and Trustee. For several years he was connected with the Licking County Agricultural Society, of which he was President for four years. He has always taken an active part in local affairs, and has acted with the Democratic party. During the Civil War he was Captain of a militia company formed in Licking Township, and in the dark days of the Rebellion was stanch in his adherence to the Union. He is a man who enjoys the confidence of the people in the township where he lives, and in consequence has a large amount of business to transact for others in the settlement of estates. Farming has been his principal occupation, and of it he has made a success.

GEORGE WEAVER. This venerable citizen of Licking County has been long and honorably connected with the history of Washington Township, of which he has been a resident for a period covering almost seventy years. A native of the Old Dominion, he was born in Shenandoah County in 1812 to Michael and Mary (Sagers) Weaver. About 1825 the family came to Ohio and sojourned for a time in Flint Ridge, but soon settled permanently in Washington Township, Licking County. There the mother died, after having reared a family of seven sons and five daughters. By a second marriage the father had

one son and three daughters. His death occurred in the village of Utica.

The subject of this sketch has resided in Licking County from his youth, growing to manhood amid the environments of frontier life. For many years he was actively engaged in farming pursuits, and being a man of energy and resolution of character, attained success in his chosen calling. He also learned the trade of a carpenter, which he followed in connection with agriculture. As a helpmate on life's journey he chose Miss Ruth Waters, and their union resulted in the birth of eleven children, three of whom died in childhood. The others were named, Martin, Silas, Sarah, Addison, William, Charles, Benjamin and Ada.

After a happy wedded life of a half-century, Mr. and Mrs. Weaver celebrated their golden wedding, upon which occasion they were the recipients of numerous presents from relatives and friends. It is the wish of their hosts of warm personal friends that they may be spared for many years in the enjoyment of health and strength. They are a worthy couple, and their children owe to them not a little of the success they have attained, for by their judicious training they implanted in the hearts of their sons and daughters a love for all that is true and noble and good.

JAMES V. PHILLIPS. As a representative of the young business men of the county, upon whose intelligence, sagacity and energy the future well-being of this section of the state depends; as a representative also of one of the pioneer families of the county, who were eye-witnesses of its growth and development and took an active part in its upbuilding, we present the name and a brief record of the life of James V. Phillips, a general agriculturist of Madison Township.

The subject of this sketch was born in Fallsbury Township, Licking County, Ohio, December 12, 1860, and is a member of a pioneer family of this locality, both his paternal and maternal grandparents having been among the early settlers of the county. His parents were Levi and Rachel (Colville) Phillips, both natives of Licking County, the father born in Fallsbury Township April 1, 1830, and the mother a native of Eden Township, born in 1840. By occupation Levi Phillips was an agriculturist, and being a man of economical habits and considerable perseverance, he gained the means with which to surround his family with the comforts of life.

There were eight children born to Levi and Rachel Phillips, of whom seven are living, James V. being the next to the eldest. The others are, Milton, who married Bertha Montgomery and resides in Newark; Laura, who became the wife of a Mr. Claggett and resides in Mary Ann Township, Licking County; Rosa, who married Samuel Allison, a business man residing in Newark; Viola, wife of William Shannon, who resides in Mary Ann Township; John William and Otterbein, who are at home with the parents. Jacob Newton, who was the fourth in order of birth, died at the age of one and one-half years.

The early life of our subject passed uneventfully. As soon as old enough he began work upon the farm, and during the summer months labored at home, while in the winter season he attended the district schools of the neighborhood where his education was acquired. Having arrived at years of maturity he began business on his own account, and as a helpmate on life's journey chose Miss Abbie Stasal, their wedding being celebrated February 24, 1887. The lady is the daughter of Nicholas and Emma (Trivola) Stasal, natives respectively of Germany and Licking County, Ohio. Her mother dying when she was eighteen months old, she was then placed in the family of her father's brother, George Stasal, with whom she remained until attaining years of womanhood. She was twenty-four years of age at the time of her marriage. Three children bless this union, named as follows: Emma Geneva, who was born December 4, 1888; Mertie May, September 28, 1890, and James Lee, May 11, 1893.

Mrs. Phillips has one brother and three sisters. The former, Albert A., an attorney in Newark,

married Miss May Woods and they have one child, Sarah. The sisters are, Annie, wife of Hon. Charles Seward, a prominent attorney of Newark, and now Probate Judge of Licking County; Leila, who married Dr. John Mitchell, a practicing physician of Newark; and Clara, who keeps house for her father, a contractor and builder of Newark. For three years after his marriage our subject operated as a renter, and then bought his present farm comprising one hundred acres, upon which he engages in raising grain, stock and fruit. While usually voting the Democratic ticket, he is liberal in his views and in local matters supports the man rather than the party.

ALFRED FOLLETT, M. D., is entitled to a position among the pioneer physicians of Licking County, having been a resident of Granville, his present home, since July 6, 1863, prior to which time he practiced his profession in Johnstown for fourteen years. During this long period his career has been honorable to himself alike as citizen and as a physician, and he has won the confidence of all with whom social or professional relations has brought him into contact.

A native of Vermont, Dr. Follett was born in Enosburg, Franklin County, September 1, 1822, to the union of John Fossett and Sallie (Woodruff) Follett. In October, 1836, the family came to Ohio and the father purchased a farm near Johnstown, spending the remainder of his life in this county and dying at the age of seventy-two years. His wife died a month after his demise, aged seventy-three years. They had nine children, six sons and three daughters.

The early life of our subject was passed in the Green Mountain State. After coming to Ohio he attended the common schools and later was a student in the academy at Granville. For a time he engaged in teaching school. Shortly before he was twenty-one, while attending a threshing machine (the first one in Licking County) he slipped and fell in such a manner that his foot was badly crushed and amputation rendered necessary. This accident changed the course of his life and he soon afterward commenced to read medicine at Granville, with Dr. Charles H. Gifford as preceptor. In 1849 he opened an office in Sandusky City, but the lake winds affected his wife's health so seriously that he soon removed to Johnstown and there practiced for some years prior to coming to Granville.

In April, 1849, Dr. Follett was united in marriage with Miss Maria L. Jones and three children resulted from this union, namely: George P., a physician in the Central Ohio Lunatic Hospital at Columbus, who died of typhoid fever in December, 1881; Sarah F., wife of John S. Jones, a coal dealer of Chicago, and Alfred K., a physician of Granville and a young man of superior education and ability. In his religious connections our subject is a consistent member of the Presbyterian Church, in which he is at present serving as an Elder and Trustee. Formerly he was identified with Olive Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Granville. His entire life has been devoted to the profession in which he has achieved marked success. In all the advances made in the science of medicine he is interested and well informed, and he ranks among the ablest practitioners of the county. He is a charter member of the State Medical Society, also holding membership in the Licking County, the Central Ohio and the American Medical Society, and is a frequent attendant at the conventions of these various associations.

THOMAS W. BOYER. This representative agriculturist of Fallsbury Township, was born in Frederick County, Md., May 14, 1825, and is a son of Nicholas and Katherine (Tuckenbill) Boyer, also natives of Maryland. At the age of sixteen years he was apprenticed to the

shoemaker's trade, and this vocation he has followed the larger part of his life. Coming to Ohio in 1846, he settled in Muskingum County, and thence in 1858 he came to Licking County, locating at Denman's Cross Roads. While there he worked at his trade during the winter seasons, and upon his farm in the summer.

On the 14th of May, 1858, Thomas W. Boyer and Miss Liza Varner were united in marriage. The date was a memorable one to both as the anniversary of their birth, and no one knows which is the older of the two, or in whose favor is the few hours difference in their ages. She is a daughter of Jacob and Margaret Varner, the former a native of Ohio, and the latter of Maryland. Eight children have resulted from the union, one of whom is deceased. Those who survive are: Martha, living in Newark; Manuel H., whose home is at Rocky Fork; Isah, a resident of Iowa; Margaret, who is married and lives in Mary Ann Township; Mary, now Mrs. Moran, who lives in Mary Ann Township; Thomas W., Jr., who married Miss Mary Nichols, and lives on the old home place, and John E., who is also at home.

The farm owned and occupied by Mr. Boyer consists of two hundred and thirty acres, upon which substantial buildings have been erected and other valuable improvements added. In politics a Republican, he votes with and works for that party. He and his family hold membership in the Disciples' Church, and in the community they are highly esteemed for sterling traits of character and genuine worth.

JOHN P. DEVENNEY. There are comparatively few to whom it is permitted to attain an age so advanced as has Mr. Devenney. Born some years prior to the War of 1812, he has witnessed the marvelous improvements wrought during the present century. He has noted the gradual westward retreat and decay of the Indian tribes, the disappearance of wild animals, the clearing of land, cultivation of soil, introduction of modern machinery, the swift growth of cities and the myriads of changes for which this age will be memorable in history. In these transformations he has taken an active part, and worthily ranks among the honored pioneers of the county.

For many years a resident of McKean Township, the subject of this sketch was born in Orange County, Va., March 11, 1808. He was a lad of fourteen years when the family removed to Martinsburg, Berkeley County, Va. (now W. Va.), and there he remained until manhood, meantime learning the tanner's trade under the instruction of his father, a practical tanner. In 1831 the family came to Ohio and settled in Licking County. The parents, Cornelius and Elizabeth (Deihl) Devenney, were residents of McKean Township until they passed away, he, at the age of eighty-two, and she, at eighty-one years.

On the 20th of March, 1834, occurred the marriage of John P. Devenney and Miss Deborah B. Sheldon. Mrs. Devenney was born in Massachusetts, August 27, 1809, and accompanied her mother to Licking County in 1827. After his marriage Mr. Devenney for some years cultivated a portion of the old homestead, three-fourths of a mile west of his present farm. In 1842 he located on the property which he has since owned and occupied. In youth and early manhood he advocated the principles of the Democratic party, but after the Missouri Compromise, and about the time of the organization of the Republican party, he became a supporter of the newly formed party, to which he has since adhered.

When a young man Mr. Devenney was made a Mason in Equality Lodge at Martinsburg, Va., and was one of the charter members of Farmers' Lodge No. 153, A. F. & A. M., of Fredonia, but later affiliated with the lodge at Alexander. A sincere Christian, he has long been connected with the Presbyterian Church and his life has been such as to prove his deep religious belief better than mere words could do. His marriage was blessed by the birth of two sons and two daughters, as follows: Warner C., who resides in Granville; Samuel S., who manages the home farm; Emma,

wife of J. M. Robinson, of Granville, and Helen, who resides with her parents.

For more than sixty years Mr. and Mrs. Devenney have walked life's pathway together, and by mutual helpfulnesss and co-operation have divided their sorrows and doubled their joys. Through their united efforts they have acquired the ownership of three hundred acres of valuable land, from the cultivation of which they receive a good income. They have always been industrious, energetic, persevering and efficient, and as a consequence are prosperous and highly respected.

JOSEPH P. H. STEDEM, M. D., a practicing physician of Newark and a member of the United States Pension Examining Board, was born in Logan, Ohio, May 2, 1856, being a son of Anton and Anna Catherine (Recklenwald) Stedem, natives of Prussia, Germany. During the German Revolution of 1848 the father left his native land and, crossing the Atlantic, sojourned for a time in Canada near Niagara Falls. Thence he went to Cincinnati, Ohio, and from there to Logan, the same state, where he married in 1855, his wife having come to this country three years before. A tanner by trade, he followed that occupation in Logan until his brother Joseph came from Germany. The latter being a butcher, they formed a partnership in the meat business, in which he continued until his death, which occurred in 1874, on the forty-eighth anniversary of his birth. His widow now makes her home in Philadelphia, Pa.

The subject of this sketch is the eldest of eight children, the others being named as follows: Margaret, wife of George Fox, of Logan; Mary, Frederick William, a druggist in Philadelphia; Adolph, of Logan; Lizzie, who died at the age of six years; Clement, who passed away at the age of four years, and Lawrence, a druggist of Philadelphia. The father was a member of the Roman Catholic Church, to which the mother still belongs. The rudiments of his education our subject acquired in the common schools of Logan, and he was afterward a student in the high school at the same place. Having resolved to enter the profession of a physician and surgeon, he commenced to read medicine, with Dr. Hugh Campbell as preceptor. Subsequently he attended the Jefferson Medical College, of Philadelphia, taking a three years' course in that institution, from which he was graduated in 1888.

After completing his medical studies the Doctor spent fifteen months at St. Agnes Hospital, Philadelphia, and then in 1889 settled in Newark, where he has since built up a good practice. On the 1st of August, 1893, he was appointed a member of the Pension Board, and in this capacity he has since served. He is also a member of the Board of Health. The principles of the Democratic party he believes to be best adapted to our country's welfare, and to them he gives his unswerving allegiance. Since the 1st of May, 1890, he has been one of the surgeons for the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad.

The lady who, on the 12th of January, 1892, became the wife of Dr. Stedem, bore the maiden name of Lizzie Brennan, and was born in Newark, Ohio, being a daughter of Edward and Mary Brennan. The Doctor and his wife are highly regarded by the people of the city, and are prominent in social circles. In his religious connections he adheres to the faith of his forefathers and is identified with the Catholic Church. He takes commendable interest in all measures designed to promote the prosperity of the people, and aids all progressive enterprises with his co-operation and support.

JACOB S. YOEMANS. The Pataskala Banking Company was organized in 1888 and enjoys the distinction of being the first and only institution of the kind in the place. It was established with the following officers: Joseph

Atkinson, President; W. H. Mead, Vice-President; and J. S. Yoemans, Cashier. There are eight gentlemen who are partners in the concern, which is conducted as a private bank. Such has been the reliability of its transactions that it occupies a high place in the confidence of the people, and is one of the solid financial institutions of the county.

The cashier of the bank, to whom its success is largely due, was born in Etna Township, Licking County, October, 29, 1840, being a son of W. C. Yoemans. His early life was passed upon the home farm, and he attended the district school a few months each year until seventeen years of age. Then starting out for himself, he secured a position as teacher, receiving a salary of $1 per day for four months. During the following winter he was similarly engaged at the same wages. The Civil War broke out, and at once the hitherto quiet little community was plunged in the deepest excitement. Two of his brothers at once became soldiers, and in 1864 his name was enrolled as a member of the One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Ohio Infantry, in which he served for four months.

After leaving the service, Mr. Yoemans went to Natchez, Miss., and for a time clerked in a store, of which he later became one of the proprietors. While thus engaged he was drafted in both the Union and Confederate service, but did not again enter the army. During the season of 1866 he raised cotton in partnership with his brother, Col. Morrison Yoemans. Returning to the Buckeye State, in 1869 he embarked in the general mercantile business under the firm name of Mead & Yoemans, and conducted an extensive business until 1885. A few years later he assisted in the organization of the banking company, with which he has since been identified.

The first wife of Mr. Yoemans was Sarah, daughter of Stephen C. Williams. She was born in Harrison Township, Licking County, and died in 1888, leaving a daughter, Bertha, now the wife of S. C. Mauger, of Columbus. In October, 1889, Mr. Yoemans was united in marriage with Miss May Finkbone, a native of Fairfield County, Ohio. The political views of Mr. Yoemans bring him into active co-operation with the Republican party, and he always casts his ballot for the principles advocated by that political organization. In addition to his banking business, he devotes some attention to real estate, in which he deals extensively. He is a man who has made his own way in the world, and the success that has come to him is the result of his own prudence, energy, perseverance and sagacity. Socially, he is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, belonging to Pataskala Valley Lodge No. 488, in which he has passed the various chairs.

GEORGE N. HUPP, Trustee of Licking Township, is a worthy representative of a family that for three generations has been identified with the history of this township and county. His grandfather, Samuel Hupp, Sr., came to this state, probably from Pennsylvania, and settling in Licking Township continued to make his home there until his death. Our subject's father, Samuel Hupp, Jr., was born and reared in Licking Township, and here married Miss Adeline, daughter of Joseph Stewart, who migrated to Ohio from West Virginia and settled in Licking County.

The parents of our subject passed their entire wedded lives in Licking Township, and here their household was increased by the birth of four children, namely: Joseph M.; Samantha, who became the wife of James Richardson and died in Licking Township; John W., who also died in this township; and George N., the youngest member of the family circle. The last-named son was born at the old homestead October 16, 1845, and in the neighboring schools he gained a practical education that fitted him for an active business life. Agriculture has been his life calling, and he is the owner of a valuable tract of one hundred acres.

In Allegheny County, Pa., March 9, 1886, Miss J. Etta Wilson, a native of that county, became

the wife of Mr. Hupp, and their union resulted in the birth of one son, Samuel W. The only sorrow of their otherwise happy wedded life has been the death of their only child, who was taken from them in infancy. In the spring of 1894 Mr. Hupp was elected one of the Trustees of Licking Township, he being the nominee of the Democratic party. While not identified with any denomination, he takes considerable interest in religious affairs and contributes to the good works of the Presbyterian Church, to which his wife belongs.

LICKING COUNTY CHILDREN'S HOME. This institution was established in 1886 and stands as a monument to the benevolent and philanthropic character of the people. The Home was erected at the expense of the county and is supported by direct taxation. Within its walls orphaned and deserted children are tenderly cared for, taught habits of industry and honesty and fitted for positions of usefulness in the world. Many who otherwise might have led useless, or even vicious lives, are brought under Christian influence, and by contact with intelligent, thrifty people are elevated and ennobled. The good thus accomplished it is impossible to estimate.

The building is arranged for convenience and comfort, as well as with an eye to symmetry and beauty. Surrounding the house is a farm consisting of one hundred and five acres, upon which are raised vegetables, fruits, grain and poultry. Horses and cattle are also kept, sufficient grain being grown on the farm for their sustenance. There is usually a surplus of grain and vegetables, which are sold and applied to the purchase of necessary articles not grown. In this way the Home is in a measure self-supporting.

In connection with the Home there is a school during ten months of the year, in which two teachers are employed. The usual branches of the common schools are taught. The children are expected to work when not in school, much as they would aid their parents if at home, and all gladly avail themselves of this opportunity. Since the establishment of the institution in 1886, four hundred and thirty-four children have been cared for beneath its shelter. Prior to that time there had been a Home in operation in the city of Newark for six years, but necessarily upon a small scale owing to lack of room and means. Orphaned or abandoned children are taken at any age under sixteen, and cared for until they attain that age. Parents who place their children in the Home are obliged to surrender all control of them.

Children are placed in suitable homes at any age, it being necessary that the home shall be satisfactory to the Superintendent as well as the child satisfactory to the foster parents. The building is a three-story structure of brick, finished in modern style, fire proof and arranged so as to secure ventilation in every room. Exclusive of schoolrooms, laundry, furnace and boiler rooms, there are one hundred and forty-four rooms, all large and airy, and well adapted to the purposes designed. The building is heated by steam and supplied with all the modern improvements.

JAMES M. MORGAN. The farm owned and occupied by this gentleman is one which attracts the attention of every visitor to Hopewell Township. It comprises three hundred and forty-two acres of fertile land, upon which he carrries on general agricultural pursuits, though giving his attention mainly to the raising of stock. The pleasant family residence is surrounded by shade and ornamental trees, and near by flows a beautiful spring of water. One of the valuable improvements of the place is a large orchard containing peach, apple and pear trees, also small fruits of all kinds.

Born in Licking County July 29, 1844, our sub-

ject is the son of Josiah and Julia Ann (George) Morgan, natives of Virginia who settled in Ohio at an early day, coming in 1849 to the farm now owned by James M. They were the parents of sixteen children, of whom there now survive besides our subject, Loamina and Artilus, both of Illinois, and George, a resident of Licking County. The early boyhood years of our subject were spent upon his father's farm. His first wife was Miss Mary Bickle, of Indiana, who died in 1875, after having become the mother of one child. November 9, 1879, he married Martha A., daughter of Alfred and Naomi (Brady) Dumm, of Licking County, and three children have blessed their union.

The Methodist Episcopal Church finds in Mr. Morgan and his family valued members and active workers. In addition to his farm he owns property in Newark, and is accounted one of the energetic business men of the township. By hard work and careful management he has gained a competence and is now in comfortable circumstances.

CLINTON DERTHICK, of Johnstown, is numbered among the most substantial and energetic business men of Licking County. He became a resident of Johnstown in 1869, at which date he formed a partnership with Alpheus Reed, and under the firm style of Derthick and Reed continued actively engaged in business until the death of the junior member of the firm in January of 1874. Since that time Mr. Derthick has continued the business alone. In addition to his duties as proprietor of a general store, he founded a bank, associated with H. J. Buxton, Royal Kasson and C. V. Armstrong. This is a private concern, and is the only bank in the village.

Born in Herkimer County, N. Y., August 6, 1841, the subject of this sketch is a son of Ira and Viancy (Brown) Derthick. His father, a native of the same county, was reared to farm life and later engaged in the mercantile business in Herkimer County, but the enterprise proved unsuccessful. He then went to Alden, Erie County, and engaged in the dairy business. In the fall of 1852 he came to Ohio and purchased a farm comprising one hundred acres situated near Galena. In the latter city, in 1855, he purchased an interest in a saw and grist mill, and a general store, of which he afterward became the sole proprietor, continuing to conduct business in partnership with his sons until 1865, and meanwhile meeting with flattering success.

With his son Ira Derthick went to Sunbury and opened a general mercantile store, which in 1869 he sold. Later he went to Columbus and engaged in the real estate business. Returning to Galena, he there made his home until his death, which occurred in August, 1880, at the age of sixty-six years. His wife died in Zanesville, and her remains were interred in the cemetery at Galena. He was socially a member of the Masonic fraternity, but his time was given almost exclusively to the details of business affairs.

In the parental family there were five children, viz.: Lucian, a resident of Lima, Ohio; Clinton, John, who resides in Columbus, and is connected with the Ohio Buggy Company; Helen, who is married and lives in Eden, Ohio; and Mrs. Harry Gautt, of Zanesville. The education received by our subject was such as to fit him for business and was acquired at Oberlin, Ohio, and Poughkeepsie, N. Y. In 1861 he became a partner in the business, and was given a one-fourth interest in exchange for his services. In 1869, as above stated, he purchased an interest with Mr. Reed. While in the main he has been successful, yet he has had heavy reverses, and in October, 1885, was unfortunate in having his store destroyed by fire. Fifty days later he was again burned out, incurring a heavy loss each time.

For a time the bank was continued in the store, but later a building was erected for its accommodation. During the last twelve years Mr. Derthick has purchased land until he now has about eight hundred acres of well improved land. His residence is a comfortable abode, surrounded by twenty acres. In 1866 he married Miss Emily,

daughter of William and Josephine (Norton) Dyer, and a native of Delaware County, Ohio. They are the parents of two children, both of whom are at home. Socially, Mr. Derthick is identified with the Masonic fraternity and the Knights of Pythias. In politics he is a Republican, but has never been prevailed upon to accept office, preferring to devote his attention to his business duties.

CYRUS M. CONARD, a prominent farmer of Burlington Township, is a native of Licking County, having been born February 18, 1823, upon the farm now owned by his brother Joseph. He is the youngest of ten children born to Nathan and Hannah (Butcher) Conard, of whom further mention is made in the sketch of Joseph Conard on another page. His education was gained in the primitive log school-houses of pioneer times and was somewhat meager, but has since been supplemented by thoughtful reading and observation.

The life occupation of Mr. Conard has been that of agriculture, although for a number of years he combined therewith the buying and selling of all kinds of stock, and during the late war he bought and sold a great many horses for the Government. His first marriage took place October 5, 1846, uniting him with Miss Phoebe Long, a native of Licking County, Ohio. They became the parents of three daughters: Mary M., who is unmarried and lives at home; Caroline A., wife of William Johnson, a farmer living in Macon County, Ill., and Amanda A., a dressmaker in Newark. The mother of these children passed from earth April 4, 1859.

The present wife of Mr. Conard, whom he married in October, 1860, was Miss Sarah Kinsey, a native of Coshocton County, Ohio, and daughter of Ingham and Eliza Kinsey, of that county. Eight children blessed this union, as follows: Phoebe Alice, who married Charles Weaver, a farmer of Licking County, and they have one child, Hiram D., who is interested in agricultural pursuits and in the buying and selling of horses; Charles K., who married Eva Jackson and resides in Mt. Vernon, where he conducts a lucrative practice as a physician; Sarah Elizabeth, a teacher in the public schools of Homer, Ohio; John W., who has lived in Illinois for a few years; Joseph M., a talented young man, recently connected with the Columbus Building & Loan Association, but at present in poor health; Dora E., George W. and Clinton G., who are at home, the boys assisting in the cultivation of the farm.

Being a firm believer in the benefits of a good education, Mr. Conard has given all his children the best advantages possible. His son, Dr. Charles K., is a graduate of the Cleveland Homeopathic College and has been engaged in practice about five years. The daughters, who have engaged in teaching, were educated at the Utica Normal Schools and have been very successful in their chosen profession, Miss Sarah E., employed at Homer, having been again appointed to that position for the ensuing year (1894–95).

While Mr. Conard is not actively identified with any denomination, he is a believer in religion and his family attends the Methodist Episcopal Church. In politics he is a stanch Republican and has held various official positions in his township, including those of Assessor and Trustee. He is engaged in the raising of stock and grain upon his home farm of two hundred and five acres. The property has been placed under a high state of cultivation and bears all the improvements of a model estate.

CAPT. FRANK GABRIEL WARDEN. Among the traveling public of Ohio the Hotel Warden at Newark is well and favorably known as one of the best places offered for their accommodation. The building is substantial and attractive in appearance, admirably adapted for the purpose it now subserves. It

contains one hundred rooms, furnished with all the modern conveniences necessary for the satisfactory entertainment of guests. It is safe to say that those who have once been entertained here will ever afterward, when visiting Newark, make the Hotel Warden their headquarters.

The genial proprietor of this hotel, a man who is well known as one of the enterprising, self-reliant and shrewd business men of Newark, is Capt. Warden, of whom this sketch is written. He is a member of a family long and honorably identified with the history of the United States, and his ancestors were represented in the wars with England. For the details of his parentage and ancestry, the reader is referred to the sketch of his father, Hiram C. Warden, appearing on another page of this volume.

The subject of this sketch was born in St. Albans Township, Licking County, December 9, 1857, and conducted his primary studies in the home locality. After having graduated from the Union school of Granville, he took a four years' course at Denison University, from which he was graduated in 1880. Afterward he read law with Captain Owens, of Newark, and then entered the Michigan State University at Ann Arbor, from which he was graduated in the law department, two years having been devoted to his private studies and the same length of time to his university studies. In 1883 he was admitted to the bar at Columbus, Ohio.

Opening an office for the practice of his profession in Newark, Mr. Warden was thus actively engaged for about four years, and during two years of that time he held the office of City Solicitor. In 1887 he became proprietor of Hotel Warden, owned by his father, and he has proved a genial, obliging and hospitable landlord. In business, professional and social circles he is very popular with the people, and is especially prominent among the Republicans of this section, standing high in the councils of the party. The political questions of the age receive from him the thoughtful consideration which they deserve, and he has the courage of his convictions upon all topics of importance pertaining to the welfare of the people. He may be relied upon at all times to give his influence in behalf of all that is true, uplifting and beneficial.

In advancing the best interests of the City of Newark, Capt. Warden takes an active part. It was through his influence, assisted by a few other enterprising gentlemen, among them, W. C. Wells and W. E. Miller, that the permanent encampment of the Ohio National Guards was located on the beautiful grounds comprising one hundred and forty acres situated about two miles west of the city.

For five years our subject served as Captain of Company G, Ohio National Guards, and thus gained the title by which he is now familiarly known. On the 28th of October, 1884, he was united in marriage with Miss Mary Williams, a native of Hamilton, Ohio, and a daughter of Israel and Margaret (Beckett) Williams.

ALFRED K. FOLLETT, M. D. Prominent among the physicians and surgeons of Licking County, who have gained the confidence of the people through superior ability and skill, we mention the name of Dr. Follett, of Granville, the son of an old and well known physician of this city. During the years in which he has practiced his profession, he has displayed the possession of more than ordinary ability, and by skill in the diagnosis of cases and success in their treatment he has won a high rank among the practitioners of the county.

A native of this county, Dr. Follett was born in Johnstown, October 5, 1857, to the union of Alfred and Maria L. (Jones) Follett. He received an excellent education in Denison University, from which he was graduated in 1879, with the degree of A. B. Having decided to enter the medical profession he became a student in the Starling Medical College of Columbus, Ohio, where he completed the course in 1882 and received the degree of M. D. Since which time he has been engaged in

the practice of his profession at Granville, where he now has an extensive and profitable practice extending over a large part of the surrounding country.

Every measure having for its object the advancement of the best interests of Granville receives the warm support of Dr. Follett, who is a public-spirited and progressive citizen. In his political views he supports the Democratic party and casts his ballot for its principles and candidates, but is not himself an aspirant for official honors, preferring to give his attention exclusively to his practice. He is interested in educational matters and for three years has been a member of the School Board, having served as its Treasurer for two years. For some time he was a member of the Board of Pension Examiners and has also filled the position of Health Officer for some years.

The lady who in June, 1883, became the wife of Doctor Follett was Miss Ora A. Stine, a native of Licking County and a daughter of A. P. and Clara (Case) Stine, the former a native of Maryland and the latter of Licking County. The Doctor and his wife have one child, Clara. Socially he is identified with Center Star Lodge No. 11, A. F. & A. M., of Granville, and Warren Chapter No. 6, R. A. M., of Newark. He and his wife are devoted members of the Presbyterian Church and are generous contributors to religious and benevolent enterprises.

EDWIN WILLIAMS. An honored place in the hearts of the citizens of Licking County is occupied by the gentleman named, who for many years was a prominent factor in the commercial, literary and political history of this section of the state and who, though now departed to "that bourne whence no traveler returns," still lives in the memory of his former associates. Too much cannot be said in his praise, for he possessed the unswerving fidelity to duty and lofty principles of honor which always command the respect of men.

The subject of this sketch was a native of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and was born July 26, 1822. In the Keystone State the days of boyhood and youth were uneventfully and industriously passed, and there, in 1850, he was united in marriage with Catherine Searle, a native of Luzerne County, who was reared to womanhood on a farm adjoining that where he made his home. Soon after marriage they came to Ohio, making the journey to Licking County via Zanesville on a canal packet. Reaching his destination Mr. Williams bought from his grandfather the farm on which his widow now lives and which was his home during the greater part of his active life.

Edwin Williams was a man who possessed to an unusual degree the confidence and esteem of all with whom he associated. He was actively interested in political affairs and was a recognized leader of the Democratic party in Licking County. In the fall of 1870 he was elected to the office of Sheriff and removed his family temporarily to the county seat. In the fall of 1872 he succeeded himself as Sheriff, but at the expiration of that term, recognizing the fact that two terms of office are sufficient, he declined to be a candidate a third time. After an absence of six years he returned to his beautiful home in Homer, where the remainder of his life was devoted to the interests of the church and the advancement of the welfare of the people. His later years were devoted exclusively to the cause of Christianity and at the time of his death he was serving as Class-Leader. It may with truth be said that no member of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Homer was ever missed to a greater degree.

A man of versatile ability, Mr. Williams also possessed considerable literary ability, was a vigorous student of history and a pleasing writer. During the Mexican War he responded to the call of his country and served about eighteen months. During the last year of his service he was recruiting officer, located at different points in Ohio from Cincinnati through the southern and eastern part of the state. He passed away at his residence in

Homer on the 10th of October, 1890, and in his death the village lost one of its most honored and influential citizens. His life was one of which his descendants may well be proud, and to them he leaves the priceless heritage of a good name.

SAMUEL PATTON. One of the pleasant homes of Licking County is situated in Burlington Township and is owned and occupied by the gentleman named. It consists of one hundred and ninety acres, all in cultivation, and devoted to the raising of cereals and stock. The farm buildings are substantial and adapted to their varied uses. Probably the most conspicuous of the buildings is the octagonal barn, a model of convenience and economy, and the only one of the kind in the vicinity.

Upon a farm adjoining that which he now owns the subject of this sketch was born July 18, 1841, to Joseph and Jane (Lusk) Patton. His father, a native of County Tyrone, Ireland, emigrated to America in early manhood and for some time was employed in a woollen factory in Philadelphia, Pa., coming thence to Burlington Township, Licking County, about 1835. Here he purchased farming land, returning to Philadelphia on horseback. About four years later he came again to Burlington Township and commenced the improvement of his land. At the age of about thirty-nine he married Jane Lusk, a native of Fairfield County, Ohio, who was about fifteen years his junior. He died December 29, 1875, aged eighty-three years; his wife survived him for ten years.

In the family there were three sons and one daughter, all of whom are living, Samuel being the second in order of birth. Clement, the eldest, married Caroline Boyd and resides in Springfield, Mo. Thomas married Sarah Larrimore and lives on the old homestead. Martha J. is the wife of Charles McMillan, of Burlington Township. Samuel was educated in the district schools of Burlington Township. He and his brothers chose the occupation of their father, agriculture. In October, 1874, he married Allie A., daughter of Marion Boyd, a native of Coshocton County, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Patton are the parents of five children, Lottie Jane, Thomas Boyd, Savilla Elizabeth, Harry Earle and Lester.

At the time of his death our subject's father owned about seven hundred acres, which he had accumulated after coming to Ohio. The estate was divided among the children, our subject receiving one hundred and ninety acres, and upon this property he now resides. A few years ago he met with an accident that resulted in the loss of his right eye. He owns a house in Utica and a portion of the family spends the winter there, that the children may enjoy the advantages of the excellent schools of Utica. The daughters are preparing for the profession of teachers. Politically Mr. Patton was a Republican until about 1892, when he saw that his interests were best subserved by the principles of the People's party, and to this organization he now gives his allegiance. His parents adhered to the old Covenanter faith, and he holds membership in the United Presbyterian Church, to which his wife also belongs.

MITCHELL SMITH, a representative contractor and builder of Homer, was born December 15, 1834, in the village where he now makes his home. He is the son of Daniel A. and Elizabeth (Mitchell) Smith, natives respectively of Hampshire County, Va., and Pennsylvania, who accompanied their respective parents to Ohio in childhood, settling in Burlington Township, Licking County. The father was twice married, Mitchell being a child of the second marriage. Of this first union, which was with Maria Cavit, he had four children, three of whom are living, William, John and Maria. By his second marriage eight children were born, namely: Phœbe, widow of John Cross, of Columbus, Ohio;

Mitchell, Mary, Mrs. Fitzwater, deceased; Catherine, widow of William Stewart, of Hartford, who was killed in the Civil War; Martha, wife of S. Jackson, residing in Mt. Vernon, Ohio; Sarah, Mrs. S. L. Blue, of Columbus, Ohio; Benjamin, a mechanic residing in Columbus; and Esther, wife of James Beaver, a resident of Homer.

On the home farm the subject of this sketch was reared to manhood, receiving a fair education in the common schools. At the age of twenty years he was apprenticed to learn the trade of a carpenter, which he has always followed. He has constructed many of the handsome homes for which this portion of the county is noted, and has been employed continuously at the business for forty years. In 1855 he married Miss Caroline E. W., daughter of Daniel and Clarissa Osborn, early settlers of Homer. Mr. Osborn is dead, but Mrs. Osborn still survives, making her home in Newark.

The first marriage of Mr. Smith resulted in the birth of three daughters, namely: Ella May, wife of S. A. Woolway, of Newark, of whom mention is elsewhere made; Ada, who is unmarried and lives in Mt. Vernon, Ohio; and Clarissa, who is with her father. In June, 1875, Mrs. Caroline Smith departed this life, and our subject afterward remained a widower for a number of years. In 1888 he was again married, choosing as his wife Miss Martha Ely, a native of Virginia. In his political affiliations he supports the men and principles advocated by the Republican party, and is always loyal to its platform.

JOHN H. BENNER. Having passed his entire life in Licking County, the subject of this sketch enjoys an extended acquaintance among the people. In his chosen occupation of agriculture he has displayed considerable business acumen, as well as great industry and perseverance, and through the exercise of these qualities has gained a foremost place among the prosperous farmers of Hartford Township. To aid him in the cultivation of his land he brings into requisition modern machinery and implements containing the latest improvements.

A native of Licking County, Mr. Benner was born in Bennington Township, March 22, 1843, and is the son of Jacob and Margaret (Payne) Benner, who were born in this county. He is one of three children, the others being younger than himself. Daniel married Sarah E. Shockley and resides in Hartford Township. Sarah is the wife of C. B. Pumphrey, and lives in Defiance County, Ohio. The mother of this family died at the home farm, November 22, 1867; the father, who still survives, is one of the successful agriculturists of Hartford Township, and for further information concerning the family history our readers are referred to his sketch presented on another page of this volume.

Receiving a practical education in the common schools, our subject grew to manhood on his father's farm. For a time he was a student at Hartford Academy, and so thorough was his education that he became one of the most efficient teachers of the county. Prior to his marriage he taught school during the winter months for about twelve years, but since that time he has given his attention exclusively to the cultivation of his land. He is the owner of seventy-five acres, upon which he has placed first-class improvements, and which by its neat and thrifty appearance proves his careful supervision.

In 1871 Mr. Benner was united in marriage with Miss Emeline B. Shockley, a native of Belmont County, Ohio, and a sister of his brother's wife. Two children have blessed the union, William D. and Frank G., both of whom are under the parental roof. In his religious connection our subject is identified with the Christian Church, while his wife and elder son hold membership in the Baptist Church. His political views bring him into active sympathy and co-operation with the Democratic party, and he keeps fully posted concerning public affairs. He has served as Trustee of his township and in other positions of honor. In religious work he is quite active, being at present the Church Clerk and a member of the Board of Trustees of the church situated at Appleton. He carries his

religion with him into his every-day life, thus proving the depth of his belief. To the Government of our country he is at all times loyal, displaying the same spirit of devotion which led his Grandfather Benner to take up arms in defence of our cause during the War of 1812.

HECTOR PRATT, a member of the farming community of Monroe Township, was born in Johnstown, Ohio, February 8, 1827, and is a son of Eli and Susan (Munson) Pratt, natives respectively of Pennsylvania and Vermont. There were three sons and one daughter in the family, of whom three now survive, namely: Hector, the subject of this notice; John, and Lucy, who is the wife of William Ashbrook. The father followed the occupation of a tiller of the soil, and was a man of great industry and energy. About 1816 he came to Ohio and made settlement three miles from the site of Newark, whence in early manhood he came to Monroe Township. Purchasing a farm of one hundred and forty-five acres he here reared his family and lived, energetically occupied in general farming pursuits, until he passed from earth about 1886, at the age of eighty-three years. His wife had died a number of years prior to his decease. Throughout this community he was familiarly known as Major Pratt. In religious belief he was a Baptist and served as Deacon in that church. His wife was a Universalist in her views.

The paternal grandfather of our subject was born in Pennsylvania and followed for his life occupation the calling of a farmer. He reared a large family and attained a good old age. The maternal grandfather was named Timothy Munson and was born in Vermont, of English descent. He passed from earth at the age of about seventy years. The subject of this sketch was born and reared in the township of which he is still a resident. In boyhood he was a student in the neighboring district schools and also, working on the home farm during the summer seasons, gained a comprehensive idea of agriculture. At the age of twenty-three years he began farming for himself, at which time he bought a sixty-acre tract. To this he added from time to time until at present his landed possessions aggregate four hundred acres.

On the 15th of November, 1849, Mr. Pratt was united in marriage with Miss Ellen, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth (Olmsted) Reed. There have been born to this union three sons and five daughters, as follows: Eli, Waldon, Oscar, Ella, Mary, Maggie, Lucy and Lizzie. Eli died at the age of four years. Waldon was united in marriage with Miss Ella Noe, who died after having become the mother of two children, Elsie and Blanche. Oscar married Miss Rena Stockbarger, and they are the parents of four children. Ella, the wife of Ralph Sutherland, has two children. Mary was married to Harry Speck. Maggie became the wife of Dr. George Garner, a physician of Johnstown, and they have one child, Imogene.

The religious connections of Mr. Pratt and his wife are with the Baptist Church, the doctrines of which they uphold by their precept and example. While he has never been active in public affairs, preferring to confine his attention to farm work, he nevertheless keeps posted upon affairs of current interest and politically gives his influence and ballot to the Prohibition party. His entire life, a period of sixty-seven years, has been passed in Monroe Township, and few of its residents enjoy a wider acquaintance than does he.

SMITH S. OSBORN, a resident farmer of Jersey Township, has spent his entire life in Ohio, the progress of which he has witnessed and to the prosperity of which he has contributed his quota. His life occupation has been that of an agriculturist, and at the present time he is cultivating one hundred and sixteen acres of well-improved land, upon which he raises the various cereals. He is interested in every-

thing tending toward the advancement of the material, moral and religious welfare of the township, and gives his support to all progressive measures.

In the township where he now lives the subject of this sketch was born, July 13, 1837. His parents, Elias and Phœbe (Wheaton) Osborn, were natives of Essex County, N. J., where they were reared and married. On coming to Licking County they settled in Jersey Township, where the father followed the trade of a carpenter until his death about 1840 at the age of forty-six years. His wife died in 1882, aged eighty-two years. They had a family of six children, of whom we note the following: Sarah married Richard Brelsford and resides in Worthington, Ohio; Joseph is a retired farmer of Licking County; Matilda, Mrs. Theo. Shaw, died in Columbus, Ohio; Ezra went to Missouri and was killed early in the '60s; Smith S. is the next in respect to age; Mary, the widow of Henry Warner, makes her home in Medina County, Ohio.

The subject of this sketch was reared upon a farm. After the death of his father he accompanied the other members of the family to Franklin County, where his boyhood days were passed. His educational advantages were limited to a comparatively brief attendance in the common schools. From Franklin he returned to Licking County, where in 1861, he was united in marriage with Miss Emma Alward, who remained his devoted helpmate until her death in 1884. His second marriage occurred in 1885, and united him with Miss Cora Preston, a native of Harrison Township, Licking County.

After his first marriage Mr. Osborn made his home in Fairfield County, this state, until 1865, meantime engaged in agricultural pursuits. During that year he returned to Licking County and settled in Jersey Township, of which he has since been a resident. As above stated, he is the owner of one hundred and sixteen acres of valuable farm land, upon which he follows mixed husbandry. The property is under a good state of cultivation and while there are many fine farms in Jersey Township, this place is considered one of the best.

Mr. Osborn has had little time or inclination to mingle actively in politics, and aside from casting his ballot for the candidates of the Republican party, does not devote any attention to public matters. However, he is interested in measures tending to the development of the best interests of the township and county, and may be relied upon to support all such enterprises. In his religious belief he is connected with the Methodist Episcopal Church.

BYRON ASHBROOK, M. D., who for ten years or more has been engaged in the medical practice at Pataskala, is the son of William and Lucy H. (Pratt) Ashbrook, and was born in Johnstown, Ohio, on the 16th of February, 1857. His early life was uneventfully passed in the place of his birth. In the common schools he acquired the rudiments of his education, and the information there gained was afterward supplemented by attendance at the high school. When not in school, he was employed at farm work, and thus his childhood years were busily and usefully passed.

During the year 1878 our subject first came to Pataskala and in March of that year he accepted a position as clerk in the drug store of Dr. H. L. Beem, under whose instruction and supervision he commenced the study of medicine. It had been one of his cherished ambitions to become a physician, and he eagerly availed himself of every opportunity for perfecting himself in the profession. After some time spent with Dr. Beem he continued his readings under the preceptorship of Dr. John Lisle. Later he entered the Columbus Medical College, at Columbus, Ohio, and from that institution he was graduated in 1882.

Opening an office for the practice of his profession at Edison, Morrow County, Ohio, the Doctor remained in that place but six months, and from there went to Johnstown. In 1884 he transferred his interests to Pataskala, where he has

since followed his profession. He is devoted to the medical science, and keeps abreast with the latest discoveries in the profession to which he is giving his active years. In 1890 he erected a neat and tasteful residence, adopting a modern design in architecture and arranging the rooms in such a way as to contribute to the comfort of the family. In addition to the residence he is the owner of valuable real estate, and is comfortably situated as regards this world's goods.

The marriage of Dr. Ashbrook took place in 1885, at which time Miss Bertha E. Baldwin became his wife. Mrs. Ashbrook was born in Jersey Township, Licking County, and is a daughter of Jesse and Mary Baldwin. Their union has resulted in the birth of three children, of whom Maud E. died in infancy. Two sons are now living: William A. and an infant unnamed. The principles of the Republican party receive the hearty support of the Doctor who never fails to cast a straight ticket for the candidates of that political organization. However, he is not partisan in his preferences and devotes little attention, to politics, preferring to give his time to his profession. He has filled the position of Health Officer and has also been a member of the School Board. Socially he is identified with the Knights of Pythias and has served as Past Chancellor of Pataskala Lodge No. 518.

JOHN HARSCH. One of the German-American citizens and agriculturists of Licking County, was born in Waldorf, Baden, Germany, December 9, 1832, being the son of George P. and Elizabeth (Pfiester) Harsch, also natives of that country. The parental family consisted of five children, of whom John was the eldest. Barbara died August 10, 1854. Margaret, wife of Jacob Behumein, is a resident of Muskingum County, Ohio. Anna Maria married Nicholas Pugh, and they make their home at Grand Junction, Mich.

Accompanying his parents the subject of this sketch crossed the Atlantic in 1854 and came to Ohio, settling at Dresden, Muskingum County, where he staid during his young manhood. On the 16th of September, 1860, he was united in marriage with Miss Anna Maria Kappert, daughter of Philip and Elizabeth (Schleich) Kappert. This lady is one of a family of ten children, of whom there were seven sons and three daughters. Of that number three of the sons are now deceased. Francis, the eldest member of the household, is a resident of Jelloway, Knox County, Ohio. Stephen, Christopher and Henry make their home in or near Dresden. Mary B. is married and lives in Muskingum County. Katie is house-keeper for her brothers Stephen and Christopher.

After our subject's marriage he and his wife commenced housekeeping in Dresden. Entering the employ of the Pan Handle Railway Company, he was for three years a laborer, after which he was given the position of foreman of the section at Port Washington. In the latter capacity he was employed for two years. He was then transferred to Dresden, where he remained nine years, and afterward removed to Hanover, which place was his home for the two ensuing years. While in the employ of the railroad he received a good salary, and as he was frugal and economical he succeeded in saving the snug little sum of $2000. After leaving the employ of the company he bought his present home, his first purchase consisting of one hundred and nineteen acres, to which he has from time to time added as opportunity permitted. He is now the owner of a fine farm comprising two hundred and twenty-six acres of well-improved land. He has erected a substantial set of farm buildings and his place has an air of neatness and of thrift that betokens good care and fine management on the part of the owner.

While residing in Germany, Mr. Harsch was for seven years a student in the common schools, thus acquiring a good knowledge of his native language. After coming to America, however he had no educational advantages, but has learned to

read and write the English language. He and his wife have had seven children, one of whom died in infancy, and another in 1886 when a young lady of nineteen years. The eldest of the children is George P., who married Sarah Grepner and occupies a portion of his father's farm. Elizabeth resides with her parents. Mary Barbara married John F. Williams, Jr., of Hanover Township, and they have four children. Nellie and Emma are with their parents.

Together with his family Mr. Harsch holds membership in the Methodist Church, and in all things which it is concerned for the moral and spiritual advancement of the community, they are active co-operators with the other members. In politics he votes and works with the Republican party. For his sterling traits of character he is highly regarded by all who know him.

GEORGE W. HAVENS. No man has done more for the upbuilding of Newark and its general improvement than our subject, who has proved a valuable acquisition to the citizenship of this community. His prompt and methodical business habits, good financial talent and tact in the management of affairs have brought him before the public at various times, and in every position he has promoted the interests of the city with characteristic ability. At present he resides in Newark Township, where he owns a well-improved farm, and he is also the owner of real estate in Missouri, Illinois and other states. He does not devote his attention to agriculture, though living on a farm, but conducts a large real estate business in town.

Born in Franklin County, Ohio, near the city of Columbus, July 20, 1832, our subject is the son of John and Rebecca (Fancher) Havens. He is of German descent, and the family name was originally spelled Haven. His paternal grandfather, Thomas Haven, was born in Germany, whence after his marriage he came to the United States, sojourning for a time in New Jersey. From there, about 1812, he came to Ohio and settled in Franklin County, where his death soon afterward occurred. His family consisted of the following-named children: Polly, Hattie, Sallie, Susan, Thomas, John, Henry and William.

John Havens was born in 1796, came with the family to Ohio, and settling in Franklin County cleared a farm and became the owner of twelve hundred acres of well improved land. He was a man of versatile ability and conducted successfully the farm, a large mercantile establishment, a saw-mill and also dealt in live stock. A shrewd solid business man, he never incurred an indebtedness unless he knew definitely how he could discharge the debt. Politically he was a Democrat, but conservative in local affairs. For twenty years he served as Township Treasurer, and at various times filled other offices. He was liberal in his religious belief, and his house was headquarters for ministers of all denominations. Prominent men coming into the neighborhood always stopped with him. Generous to a fault, there was no charitable project to which he did not contribute, and the poor always found in him a friend. His success was all the more remarkable when we consider the fact that after the death of his father he was bound out to a brother-in-law who owned a farm, and at the age of twenty-one he received but $100 in return for his labor. With this money he made a payment on one hundred acres of land, paying for the remainder by working on the canal at $8 per month for a time, but later was put in charge of a number of men and his wages increased to $2 per day. His death occurred in August, 1886. His widow still lives on the old home farm.

The parents of our subject had ten children viz.: William, George W., Elizabeth, the wife of Dr. Flattery; Henry, Mrs. Sallie Tibler, Lucy, who married Dr. Bean; LeRoy, Mary, the wife of Austin Mann; John of Columbus, and Mrs. Margaret Butler. Our subject was reared on the home farm and at the age of twenty-one went to California via the Isthmus, remaining in the far west for two years. He was reasonably successful, but not caring to remain there permanently, he returned to Ohio via the Nicaragua route, and for three years thereafter resided with his parents. He then took

a trip to the Rocky Mountains, where he spent a year and bought sixty-seven yoke of oxen. From there he went to Missouri and later he traded his cattle for land. For six years he made his home in Ray County, that state, engaged in dealing in stock.

In the early part of 1863 Mr. Havens enlisted in the state service, and was assigned to Company B, Fifty-first Regiment, Missouri Infantry. The regiment was fed, armed and equipped by the United States Government, but they were not to leave the state. He entered as an orderly, but was later promoted to Sergeant Major on the Colonel's Staff and afterward to Second Lieutenant, and subsequently received a Captain's Commission, and held that rank when they were disbanded in 1864. Their duties consisted chiefly in looking after bushwhackers, etc.

Returning to Ohio, Mr. Havens settled his father's estate. Here, in 1868, he married Miss Melvina, daughter of John Roberts, a farmer of Delaware County, where she was born. After his marriage he purchased a sawmill and cut the timber of one hundred acres of land that he owned in Franklin County, later cutting the timber on a farm in Licking County. In 1872 he purchased for $11,000 a half-interest in the business of Abram Flory, but ten years later the partnership was dissolved and Mr. Havens for one year engaged in the real-estate business. He purchased for $24,000 a store in Alexandria, where he conducted business for two years. Since then he has been engaged in the real-estate business at Newark. He and wife have two children, Belle and Arthur. Socially, he has attained the thirty-second degree in Masonry, and politically he affiliates with the Democrats. Though at no time an aspirant for office he has been a member of the City Council and filled with efficiency other local offices.

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